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Journals of the Council of Safety
of the
State of Vermont
from
Aug. 15th. 1777 to May 7th. 1782

Vol. I.

The first 20 pages of this book is left blank for the purpose
entering the minutes of the Council of Safety of the State of
Vermont from January 1776. to the 15 August 1777. during
which time Col. Ira Allen was secretary & has the minutes of
said Council in his possession.

Certified by Joseph Fay. Secy

March 8th. 1788 —

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Said minutes have not yet been found
J. Stevens

July 21st 1843 —

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Wilmington Delaware

A warrant was given to J. J. Huback to
impress a horse to Ride the General's Horse Headquarters
in this Town, drawn in the usual form.

To Lieutenant Peter Roberts one of the commissioners of
Sequestration.

Sir. you are hereby directed to forward the
Cattle under your care (being 111 head) to New Providence
then & there to advertise said Cattle and expose them
to sale at Public Vendue and fair accounts of said
Cattle's Natural & Artificial Marks and age with their
particular prices, and make Returns of the Money
all your proceedings to this Council as soon as may be.
Paul Spooner

State of Vermont
In Council of Safety

August 16th 1777.

To Colonel John Williams. Sir

You will proceed with your party towards the line
and if the Enemy should retreat, you will Repair to the
Road leading from St. John to Housack, and if you make a
discovery, Report to this Council, At the same time you
to pay proper attention to the Road leading from Housack
to Pawnee.

By order of Council,

Paul Spooner

Berminington 21 August 1777.

State of
Vermont }

In Council of Safety Berminington 21 August 1777.
Sir you are hereby required to raise seventy
five able bodied, effective men of your Regiment of
Militia, exclusive of the common quota of common
officers for such numbers, which number you will
cause to be continued in the field under the command
of the Eastern Militia until the first day of
December next, unless sooner discharged by such commanding
officers; Should you find it more convenient for part
or all such Troops to be relieved before that time, you will
do it observing always to keep the full number in the
Field. Those who engage are to do it only on the principle
of being under the Regulation of the Continental Army
during the time they serve, altho under the command
of the above officer.

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Berminington August 23rd 1777.

David Breckenridge is permitted to remain at his Father's house under the care of the Guard at that place until further orders.

State of
Vermont. Council of Safety. Berminington 23rd August 1777.

To Asa Baldwin, Samuel
McLoom, William Underhill, Thomas Baldwin, and Moses
Veal.

Notwithstanding your ungratefulness to your country
and notwithstanding you have, by your conduct, forfeited
the confidence of your countrymen, yet never the less on
the application of Captain Hiram Underhill in your be-
half, this Council are induced, out of humanity, to
accept you again into friendship, on your voluntary
surrender, and taking the oath of fidelity to the United
States of America, forthwith, and dispensing with the
loss you have already sustained, to atone for past folly.

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Brimington 24th August 1777.

State of {

Vermont { In Council of Safety 24th August 1777.

To Elisha Clark Gentlemen

Reposing special trust and confidence in your patriotism, Valour and Good conquest & experience in Military discipline we have appointed you Adjutant in Lieut. Colonel Samuel Herricks Regiment of Rangers. Commanding all officers and soldiers to obey you as Adjutant. & when said Regiment is full you will be duly commissioned until which time this shall be your sufficient Warrant.

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden
Pres^t

Attest Ira Allen Secy.

Resolved that James Halsworth be & he is hereby appointed Quarter Master to Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Herricks Regiment of Rangers.

Attest

Ira Allen Secy

State of {

Vermont { In Council of Safety Brimington 25 Aug. 1777.

To Captain John Depaetter

You are requested to take a potash kittle for the African troops to cook in. Give your receipt for the same. and bring the to meeting house in this

place.

By order of Council

Ira Allen Secy

Resolved that Captain Ebenezer Allen be the
first Captain in ~~South~~ Samuel Herricks
Regiment of Rangers
State of }

Vermont } In Council of Safety Bennington 26 Aug. 1777

To Adjutant Elisha Clark.

You are hereby required to make
return of the names and number of the officers
non-commissioned officers & soldiers belonging to Colonel
Samuel Herricks Regiment of Rangers already
raised within this State for the defence thereof to
Ebenezer Walbridge at Arlington at 10 O'clock of the
morning of the 28 instant; as he is appointed and
authorised to muster, and return the several musters
of the whole, in order to their being severally entered
and entitled to their pay agreeable to their several
ranks. And you are further ordered to take particular
accounts of the several companies and names of the
several soldiers of that corps, who may hereafter join,
at every opportunity. Of this you are not to fail.

By order of Council

Attest Ira Allen Secy

Thomas Chittenden,

State of }

Secy

Vermont } In Council of Safety Bennington 27 Aug. 1777

Whereas this council ~~has received~~ a letter from

Capt. Burroughs, at Arlington, acquainting us ~~that~~
scouts had taken all the stock of every kind from Auger
Hawley's wife of Rupert, and she had made application
to him for a cow, as her children was in a suffering
condition - These are therefore to require you to let her
have one cow, for the time being, out of the first cows
you take from any disaffected person

By order of Council,

Ira Allen Secy

St. Martin Banel, Commissioner of Sequestration
State of {

Vermont { In Council of Safety Brimington 27th Aug 1777

These are to require all persons in this
State, that have taken any effects, from, or belonging
to any person in the State of New York in these late
disturbances to deliver up such effects to Mr John Abbott
& Captain Nathan Smith, as they are appointed by
Major Younglove, one of the commissioners of seques-
tration for said State to take care of such effects, in
behalf of said State - their proving their property to
such effects. Provided such effects were not taken
in the field of battle.

By order of Council

Ira Allen Secy

To Whom it may concern

State of {
Vermont { In Council of Safety Brimington 27th Sept 77
To ~~_____~~ Sir you are hereby required

to take four horses belonging to John Hannon by
to be at Marlborough and themselves meet and
convey them to this Council as soon as may be.

By order of Council

Isa Allen Secy

The gentlemen in whose custody the horses are, is
requested to deliver them to the bearer—

State of

Vermont In Council Bennington August 27th 1777

To Lieutenant Silas Watson

You will please to send all the evidence you
have against Jonathan Card & Pileg Card, as we
propose to bring them to on trial on the 29th instant
we shall depend on hearing from you by said
day

By order of Council

Isa Allen Secy

State of

Vermont In Council of Safety 27th August 1777

To Captain Joseph Farnsworth

Commissary Bennington Sir

if you please to give Lieut Benjamin Chamberlain
and three men with him three days provisions as
they are bold volunteers this council will settle
with you for the same

By order of Council

Isa Allen Secy

Brommington 27 August 1777

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 27th August 1777

Permit Mrs. Munro to keep her cattle,
sheep, swine and other effects until order is given
from this Council for her to deliver them up

By order of Council
Thomas Chittenden Pres

To whom it may concern —

N.B. To Mrs. Munro, by sending to
Brommington you can have one of your riding
horses to use until we send for him.

For order Thomas Chittenden Pres

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 27th August 1777

To M^r Harris you are hereby
directed to employ some men to harvest Mr
Breakenridges wheat and put the same in his
barn, you also pay the expences out of the wheat, and
what is not wanted for the use of the family you
will keep until further orders from this Council

By order of Council

Isa Allen Secy

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 28th August 1777

To M^r David Tappett Esq

You will proceed to Mr James Breakenridges and
make straight examination of his improvements on
lands adjoining and if you find any stock or other
effects which you have reason to suspect belongs to any

enemical persons within this State. you will seize the
same and cause it to be brought to this Council as
soon as may be

By order of Council

State of

Ira Allen Secy

Vermont } In Council of Safety 29th August 1777.

To Mr David Tappan Sir

You will bring Capt James Clay of Putney (now in
your care) before this Council as soon as may be

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Secy

State of

Vermont } In Council of Safety 29th August 1777

To the Committee of Safety in Windsor

and the adjacent towns in this State Gentlemen -

All such persons as you shall have sufficient evi-
dence exhibited against on trial as to prove them
enemies so far enemies to the liberties of America as to
be dangerous persons to go at large, you will send to
Westminster Goal, and put them in close confinement.

If you send any prisoners to said goal, you will
send a proper guard, provided it should happen before
any prisoners or guards should be sent from this.

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden

State of

Vermont } In Council of Safety 29th August 1777

To Mr Benjamin Tappan Sir

(next page)

You are hereby directed to repair to Bownd and bring from some of the Tories that are gon to the enemy or otherwise proved themselves enemies to their country a load of sauce for the use of the wounded prisoners here and make returns to this Council of what you bring & from whom, you will leave sufficient for their families.

By order

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

State of
Vermont } For Council of Safety 29th August 1777 -

Whereas, his honor. Major General B. Lincoln, has requested this Council to raise a part of the militia of this State to serve in Continental service, agreeable to the Resolution of the Hon. Continental Congress of the United States; - in obedience to which, this Council have heretofore resolved, that three hundred and twenty-five men of the militia of this State should be raised for the defence of this, and the United States of America; - and whereas, the price of all kinds of provisions & cloathing, are raised to exorbitant prices -

Resolved, therefore, that fifty shillings per month be paid to each person that shall serve agreeable to the aforesaid Resolution, in addition to their Continental pay.

By order of Council

Ira Allen Secy

State of }
(Vermont) In Council of Safety 29th August 1777.

The following contains a list of the
stories of this State, and the several crimes with which
they stand charged, viz:

Benjamin Eastman. Phineas Heard.

By their own confession, found guilty of assisting
the enemy in disarming the inhabitants of Sandgate
within this State.

James Reynolds. Ephraim Mulley. John Davae

Solomon Millington. Bartholomew Winnick. George Tibbets

Acknowledged they voluntarily joined the enemy
and were taken in action the 16th instant.

Paul Gardiner

Taken in action the 16th instant by his own con-
fession fired his piece three times on General Stark's
brigade.

Joseph Haviland.

Voluntarily applied to Mr. Heine, took his protection
provided a quantity of ~~provision~~ ammunition -
promised a number of cattle, carriages &c. Taken
by Col. Warner, on his return, endeavoring to carry his
projects into execution

Ebenezer Washburn. Edward Bump

Confess they were conversant with the enemy, have
taken protection & voluntarily assisted them with teams
provisions &c

(Continued)

Aram Lake

Found to be in the aforesaid action & supposed to be in arms.

Watts Hubbert

The evidence against him enclosed.

The above on the whole which the Council have in custody except some few persons who have been brought so late that the evidence has not as yet arrived.

I am, Dear General,

Your most obedient, humble servant,

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

The Hon. Major General Lincoln

State of Vermont In Council of Safety 31st August 1777.

Francis Patterson & David Patterson are permitted the liberty of this town until further orders of this Council.

Gave an order on Colonel Brush for 2 days provisions for Isaac Ives & Samuel Bassett

By order of Council

Ira Allen Secy

Phineas Chase of Munro Patent & Archibald McKie of Little White Creek are permitted to return to their several habitations until further orders, from this Council they behaving as become.

By order of Council

Ira Allen Secy

Wilmington D. Sept. 1777

State of {
Vermont { In Council of Safety 2 September 1777

To Ebenezer Hyde Sir

You are hereby required to examine the goods deposited in the cart now in the care of Seth Deane and report the several articles particularly which are not wearing apparel, for which this shall be your sufficient warrant. You will make returns as soon as may be

By order of Council

Ira Allen Secy

Francis Brattison and David Brattison are permitted to return to Charndon &c.

By order of Council

Ira Allen Secy

State of {
Vermont { In Council of Safety 3 September 1777

Captain Elisha Moor of Putney and Capt. Leonard Spaulding, are appointed Commissioners of Sequestration.

Francis Breakenridge is permitted to return home and remain on his father's farm, and if found off to expect 39 lashes of the beach seal, until further orders from this Council.

Thomas Green is permitted to return home, on the recommendation of Major Goringhove, until further orders

State of }
Vermont } In Council 3^d September 1777
To Thaddeus Harris of Bennington Sir

You are directed to deliver all the cattle in your care, or in Mr. Breakenridges inclosure, that you know or have reason to believe belongs to the State of N. York to Major Gorington; as he is one of the Commissioners of Sequestration for said State.

By order of Council
Ira Allen Secy

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 3^d September 1777

Then personally appeared David Smith and acknowledged ^{himself} bound in a recognizance of one hundred pounds to the Secretary of the Council of the State of Vermont, that Capt Michael Lantman shall appear before the General Committee of Albany within six days, to answer any complaint that may be exhibited against him.

Richard Boney & Grant Boney are permitted to return to their farms, there to remain until further orders from Albany.

John Bap of Col. Hales regiment who has been taken & retaken, is permitted to pass to his regiment.

Resolved, that Capt Benjamin Wait be he is hereby appointed Major in Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Herricks Regiment of Rangers.

By order of Council. Ira Allen Secy

State of
Vermont In Council of Safety 4th September 1777—
To the officers commanding the Guards
at Capt. Drueys farm—Sir

You are hereby required to remove all the prisoners
to the schoolhouse & see that there is a proper guard over
them except those that are wounded. if there ~~is~~ sufficient
room in the Meeting House for them you are to put
them there in lieu of the Schoolhouse

By order of Council
Ira Allen Secy

Resolved, that Lieutenant John Barnes
be & is hereby appointed Lieutenant in Capt. Richard
Waits company of Rangers in Lieut Col. Samuel
Herrick's Regiment

Capt Joseph Ingle has a permit
to take a hog mare taken from Capt. Haras. son, and
use, during the pleasure of Council

By order of Council
Ira Allen Secy

Samuel Baste is permitted to return to
his place of abode in Dorset and there to remain
until further orders from this Council

By order of Council
Ira Allen Secy

Pennington 5 September 1777

Dear General

Agreeable to the proposals of last evening, the Council of Safety would recommend to your honour colonels Seth Warner & Samuel Herrick, as persons who from their knowledge of the situation of the country to the northward of this, ~~state~~ & their particular acquaintance with a number of persons under their command who have for a number of years inhabited contiguous to the several parts which the enemy at present occupy, That on application to either of them at any time they would be ready to furnish your honour with such men or numbers of intelligible men to report the particular situation of the enemy at any particular part as might be confided in

I am, Sir General by order of Council
Your most obedient

Humble servant
Thomas Chittenden
Pres^t

Major General B. Lincoln

In Council of Safety 6th of September 1777
To Mr David Tappett Sir

Agreeable to General Lincoln's request to this Council
You are directed to engage five Teams to carry Flour to
Manchester this day.

By order of Council, Ira Allen Secy

State of
Vermont } In Council of Safety September 6th 1777,
To Capt. William Tuck - Sir,

You are hereby directed to deliver to Captain Goodnough the bearer, two sides of leather out of Marshes fatts, and out of his leather, taking his receipt for the same, after appraised.

By order of Council

Ira Allen Secy.

Mr. John Waldo, one of the Committee of St. Croix is permitted to take John Sepions to the Committee there.

Resolved, that Mr. Joseph Fay be, and he is hereby, appointed Secretary to this Council.

Attest, Ira Allen Secy.

State of
Vermont } In Council of Safety 6th September 1777

This Council have no objections to Tye Field's assisting Company's Brush until General Lincoln's pleasure shall be known concerning the same

By order of Council. Ira Allen Secy.

To M^{rs}. Hool. Herricks.

State of
Vermont } Bennington September 6th 1777.

This may certify to all whom it may concern that Brigadier General Starke, has this day made a present of one Hessian broad sword to the Hon. Council of the State of Vermont in order to be kept in said Council Chamber as a memorial, in commemoration of the glorious action fought at Mallumsee August 16th 1777. in which case the exertions of the said Council was found

to be so exceeding servicable

By the donors order

John Casey & Co.

Cop. Attest, Ira Allen Secy

State of

Vermont, In Council 6th September 1777.

The following contains a list of persons belonging to the State of New York, confined on suspicion of being enemies of the United States of America.

Thomas Collins. Reuben Green, Jeph Brown & William Proffit.

The above are the whole that the Council have in custody.

I am, Gentlemen your most

Obedient humble servant

Thomas Chittenden. Secy

The General Committee at Albany —

The following contains a list of the Tories belonging to this State, and the several crimes with which they stand charged. Viz:

Samuel Rose. Has joined a tory scout under arms, and assisted them in taking and keeping and by his own confession given ^{hard} money to several young men to induce them and enable them to join said scouts & go to the British troops.

Beriah Chelson, went voluntarily under arms to the enemies camp, and was taken on the 16th day of August in the memorable battle fought near this place. The reason of Chelson being in irons is — he was broken from the guards, and got some miles before retaken.

This Council wish those persons to be sent on board
the guard ships in the North River, or otherwise dealt
with as your honor in your great wisdom shall think
proper.

I am, dear General your most
obedient humble servant
Thomas Chittenden

The Hon. Major General Gates—

Peter Payne being arranged enemial
conduct towards the United States of America. this
Council having heard the evidence against the said
Payne & his arguments, and having duly deliberated on
the same, do judge & order that the said Peter Payne
pay us a fine for the use of this State, Twenty pounds &
stand committed until judgment is complied with
Sept. 11. Judgment is complied with and he has taken
the oath of allegiance & is acquitted.

State of {

Vermont { In Council of Safety 6 September 1777.

Bennet Bardsley, is proved an enemy to the United
States of America by words and actions, and is judged
a dangerous person to go at large—

Isaac Ives, has taken protection under General Burgoyne
and been very efficacious in assisting him by his own
confession, been to the regulars and drove cattle.

Nathan Cornfield, Isaack Hard, Andrew Hauley,
Caleb Eaton, proved to have been aiding and

affiliating to the British troops, and dangerous persons
to go at large.

This Council having heard the witnesses with
all the attending circumstances of the several persons
above named, do judge & order said persons be
committed to close confinement in the common Gaol
at Westminster until released by proper authority

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

State of }
Vermont }

In Council of Safety 6 September 1777

The Councils compliments most
cordially wait on his honor Brigadier General Stark
with their sincere thanks for the honor the General has
been pleased to do them by presenting them with a
Hebian broad sword, taken by a number of troops
from the State of New Hampshire & elsewhere, under his
immediate command, in the memorable battle
fought at Walloomsack, near this place on the 16th
of August last; and also for the honour the General
has been pleased to do them, in applauding their exertion
in a public trial, as a Council

Pr Joseph Fay Secy.

Brigadier General Stark —

State of }
Vermont }

In Council of Safety 8 September 1777.

To the officer of the guard at the schoolhouse. Permit Mr
David Tapett to take out of the Guardhouse a sword

Stand & Andrew Havelly he is to return them in a few days.

By order of Council
Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Bennington 8th Sept 1777.

Dear General

In the absence of Doct. Fay. received your favour of the 7th instant, in which your honor informs that you have been so kind as to supply our troops with some necessities out of the Massachusetts stores, for which, this Council return you their sincere thanks, & have to assure you that if the like quantity of stores are to be had, shall replace them again, otherwise pay an equivalent in cash to their full satisfaction.

I am, your most

Obedient, & humble servant

Thomas Chittenden

Major Genl. Lincoln

Pres.

To Nathaniel Fish & Phil. Griffin.

Notwithstanding your ingratitude to your country, notwithstanding you have by your conduct forfeited the confidence of your countrymen, yet nevertheless on the application of Mr Edward Veil in your behalf, the Council are induced out of humanity, to accept you again into friendship on your voluntary surrender & taking the oath of fidelity to the United States of

America forthwith. And dispensing with the loss
you have already sustained to atone for your past folly

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Whereas, complaint has been made to this Council
against you for disposing of cattle & horses belonging
to this State, you are therefore hereby summoned to
appear before this Council to answer the complaint
immediately

By order

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

To Mr Charles Jr of Arlington —

State of {

Vermont } In Council of Safety 8th September 1777
To Captain Jonathan Tapett Sir

You are hereby authorised to procure or impreg-
ten teams immediately for the use of forwarding
provisions to the Army

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

State of {

Vermont } In Council of Safety 8 September 1777
To Captain Ebenezer Allen - Sir

This day received yours of the 6th instant dated at
Manchester, requesting this Council to furnish you
with shoes. We have taken the same into consideration
and do hereby recommend to you to take some leather
out of Marshes Tan-yard at Shaftsbury & make in caps

to answer the present purpose, until shoes can be
provided - you are to make application to Capt. Fitch
or the person who has the care of the tanyard. The leather
is to be appraised and returns made to this board.

By order. Thomas Chittenden Pres.

The following is a copy of a complaint received from Lt.
Isaac Clark - Bennington 8th September 1777.

To the Council of Safety - I the subscriber complain of David
Bennington of Castleton for going to the ministerial
army & serving as conductor of teams in the King's
service as aath appear by his writings.

Isaac Clark, Lt.

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 8th September 1777
To the officers of the main guard - Sir

You are hereby required to take the body of David
Bennington, and him safely keep in the guard
house until further orders from this council, you
are also to continue him in irons.

By order. Joseph Fay Secy

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council 9th September 1777

Permit Samuel Burton to take his oxen and
keep them until further orders.

By order Thomas Chittenden Pres.
To the person who has them in keeping.

Charles Brewster is appointed one of the commissioners
of Sequestration for this State

Resolved that the estate of Samuel
Rose of Manchester be confiscated to the use of this State
for his enmical conduct towards the United States of
America

State of

Vermont } In Council of Safety 9th September 1777

Resolved that Nathan Banfield be committed to
close confinement in the common goal in Litchfield
in lieu of Westminster goal

Permit Mrs. Samuel Banfield
and Taber Worster to pass to Arlington, and move
to this place ~~Nathan~~ Banfield's family, moveable
effects, and lease out his farm

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres

To all whom it may concern —

State of

Vermont } In Council 10th September 1777.

Whereas William Searls Jr. has disposed of
one yoke of oxen which is the property of William Breedle of
Manchester, who has been apprehended as an enemy to
the United States. Resolved, therefore that said Searls
be and is hereby directed immediately to pay into the
Treasury of this State, seventy-four dollars, which was the
sum he received for said oxen. By order Joseph Fay secy.
Execution issued on the above judgement to Edth Wallis

Memorandum. Capt. Tapan Noble has a coat in his custody which belongs to this State which he promises to return.

Joseph Danklee has returned a gun and cataract box he received some time ago of this Council. his receipt was mislaid and not given up.

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 11th September 1777
To Peter Harwood

You are directed to receive the sick person in David Tappetts care into your house and keep until further orders. ~~from this council~~

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Permit the bearer Francis Burnes to pass to Danvers and return to this place at the end of six days.

By order, Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Nathan Canfield is permitted to go to Arlington to see his wife as she is sick, & return again in thirty-six hours —

State of }
Vermont } In Council 12th September 1777
To Greegift Cole - Sir,

You are hereby requested to deliver to Lieut Isaac Chubb. five sides of Leather, out of the leather belonging to Marsh, and take his receipt for the same.

By order

Joseph Fay Secy

Whereas, sundry persons in this State have been so lost to a sense of their duty they owe to the supreme Arbitrator of rights, and their country, friends and relations, as to join the tyrant of Great Britain, together with his foreign mercenary troops, and cruel savages in arms, & have been flagrantly guilty of shedding the blood of their innocent neighbors and friends;— and whereas several women, wives of those merciless and unpunished murderers, have aided and assisted in bringing about such their designs, by harboring, secreting, feeding & giving private intelligence to such emissaries of Great Britain, & by riding post, carrying intelligence to the enemies camp and scouts, are found to be dangerous to society and instruments of great mischief to this and the United States of America.

Resolved, therefore, that all such persons as have joined or may hereafter join the British troops, and left or may hereafter leave their wives and families within this State, have their wives and families sent to General Burgoyne's Head Quarters, or some other branch of the ~~minutia~~ army, as soon as may be.

By order of Council,

Joseph Fay Secy.

Resolved, that Comfort Curtis be permitted to go to his brothers in White Creek & there to remain until further orders from this Council upon giving sufficient bail. By order Joseph Fay Secy.

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 12th September 1777

Then voluntarily appeared before this council
Henry Bullis, and acknowledgeth himself guilty of
of taking his arms and joining the infamous
Samuel Adams' company and going with them
to the British army, praying this Council to take
him under their protection and deal with him accor-
ding to their judgement and discretion. This Council
having taken the same under ^{their} consideration, do judge
that on his dispensing with the oath he has already sustained
& voluntarily taking the oath of allegiance fidelity
to the United States of America he be dismissed
By order of Council

Jos. Fay Secy

Permit Henry Bullis to go from this to his farm in
Manchester there to remain unmolested he behaving
as becometh a friend to his Country, as he hath taken
the oath of allegiance to the States of America
By order Jos. Fay Secy

To whom it may concern

State of 3

Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 12th September 1777

Then personally appeared John Curtis and
acknowledged himself bound to the Treasurer of this
State in a recognizance of two hundred pounds that
Comfort Curtis shall be ready at his house to answer
the call of this Council at any time. By order Tho. Whittenden Pres.

Permit Comfort Curtis to pass from this to his
Brother John Curtis in White Creek. he behaving as
becometh a friend to his country, there to remain until
further orders from this Council

By order Joseph Fay Secy
To whom it may concern

Nehemiah French having voluntarily
appeared before this Council & acknowledged himself
guilty of taking up arms and joining the infamous
Samuel Adams' company & joining the British
Army, praying this Council to take him under their
protection and deal with him according to their
judgement & discretion.

This Council having taken his case
under their consideration do judge and order that
the sd. French pay as a fine the sum of Twenty pounds
and stand committed until this judgement is
complied with and the said French voluntarily
take the oath of fidelity to the United States of America
then to be discharged.

By order of Council Joseph Fay Secy
The above judgement is satisfied in cash - do Fay

State of $\frac{3}{2}$

Vermont $\frac{3}{2}$ In Council 12th September 1777

This Council on reconsideration vote and order
that Nathan Canfield pay thirty pounds Money as a
fine for the use of this State and be released.

from any further confinement

By order, Joseph Fay Secy.

Resolved, that Nathan Canfield be permitted the privilege of letting his farm & effects in Arlington remain Deliverance Squire unmolested, as he has satisfied this Council for his past conduct & taken the oath of fidelity to the United States of America.

By order Thomas Chittenden Secy.

Resolved, that Nathan Canfield be permitted to pass and repass on his lawful business his behaving as becometh a friend to the States of America.

By order, Thomas Chittenden Secy.

To whom it may concern—

Permit David Irish to pass from this to his farm in Timmonah there to remain unmolested until further orders from this Council he behaving himself as becometh a friend to the Liberties of America.

By order, Joseph Fay Secy.

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council 13th September 1777

Permit Abel Irish to pass from this to his farm in Danba there to remain unmolested until further orders from this Council he behaving as becometh a friend to his country.

By order

Joseph Fay Secy.

To whom it may concern

Resolved to adjourn this Council sitting until
Thursday next

Pr order

Joseph Fay Secy

Then personally appeared Samuel Canfield and
Jabez Worster and acknowledged themselves bound
to the Treasures of this State & Recognised in the sum
of one thousand pounds of Money that Nathan
Canfield shall be ready at the call of this Council
at any time as witness our hands

(Signed) Samuel Canfield

(Signed) Jabez Worster

Recd of Nathan Canfield one pair blacksmith's
bellows, one anvil, one vice without screw, and one pair
of tongs, which was the property of Samuel Buck of Arlington.
In behalf of the Council received.

pr

Joseph Fay Secy

State of

Vermont } In Council of Safety 15 September 1777

Permit Nehemiah French to pass from
this to his farm in Manchester there to remain unres-
tored, behaving himself as becometh ~~himself~~ a friend to
the States of America as he has taken the oath of
allegiance to the States.

Pr order. Joseph Fay Secy

State of

Vermont } In Council 18th September 1777

Samuel Stewart is permitted four days absence then to
return to this place as he has taken the oath of allegiance
to the United States By order of Council. Joseph Fay Secy.

State of ³
Vermont ³ Council of Safety 18th September 1777
To Eleazer Willoughby - Sir

I received yours of yesterday's date, also received verbal accounts from your father, am surprised at both

First the account in your letter, where you say that what you ever believed you now know to be true, viz. that the protection of the States was the best considering the conversation I have lately had with you & your conduct

Secondly that you should think that we should take care of your interest, when we had certain intelligence that you had joined our avowed enemies and was actually in their service; and

Thirdly that you should when upon you were taken by our people on your return, which circumstances would have been much in your favour even if they had brought you in. you are much to blame in breaking away from the guard

However what provocation you had to conduct in that manner is yet unknown to me. yet notwithstanding as it appears by your letter and your fathers request that you desire to be received into favour of your Country, I am to inform you that if you see cause to come to this Council you may depend on being as well used as you can reasonably expect when all the circumstances of your case are known. Those persons who took you must be present when you come. If you think best to come, it must be within two days from

this date; and this shall be your sufficient warrant.
on the way

By order of Council

Sam. Sir. Yours

Thomas Chittenden Secy

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 20th September 1777
Thomas Phillips is permitted to pass from
this to Raughkeepsie

By order. Joseph Fay. Secy

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 21th September 1777

Andrew Hawley is permitted to pass to his
home in Arlington his returning within seven days to
satisfy the judgement of this Council

By order of Council. Joseph Fay Secy
To whom it may concern —

Zadock Hara is permitted to pass from
this to his home in Arlington his returning to this
Council within seven days to satisfy the judgement
of this Council

By order of Council Joseph Fay Secy

This Council beg leave to return their sincere
thanks to the Hon. Brigadier General John Stark for
the infinite service he has been pleased to do the in defending
them and their constituents from the cruel & bloody rage of

their unnatural enemy, who sought to destroy them, on the 16th day of August last. They also return their grateful acknowledgements. For the honor the General has been pleased to do the Council by presenting them with one Hessian ~~and~~ gun with bayonet, one broad sword, one brass barrelled drum & one granadier's cap. Taken on the memorable 16 of August aforesaid for the use of this State, the General may rely that they will be reserved for the use they were designed

I am Dear General with

Sentiments of esteem

Your most obedient

Humble servant

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Gen. Starke

Copy examined, Joseph Fay Secy -

Francis Burnes is permitted to pass from this to home and return to this Council in fifteen days
by order Thomas Chittenden Pres.

The following persons are permitted to pass by the
Daniel Dickey & Silvanus Perry from this to Sunderland
and return within one month,

by order Thomas Chittenden Pres.
The bearer, Samuel Trowbridge is permitted to pass to
Arlington and remove his family down the country as
he has taken the oath of fidelity. By order of Council
Thomas Chittenden Pres.

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 17th September 1777

Resolved, that whatsoever of the goods or chattles that was his property (viz: David Castle) has been taken by our scouts, we make him no compensation but he to bear the loss, on the Council giving him, the said Castle a pass to return to his habitation and there to remain under our protection, on his good behavior for the future

Order Thomas Chittenden Pres.

This Council on reconsideration voted order that Bennet Bardsley pay as a fine for the use of this State the sum of fifteen pounds L. Money and be discharged from further confinement

Order Thomas Chittenden Pres.

September 24. 1777 Then appeared Bennet Bardsley and paid fifteen pounds Lawful Money in full satisfaction for the above judgement of Council
Joseph Fay Secy

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 19th September 1777

Permit Garret Williamson to take a red roan horse that belongs to himself or his son lately taken by Lieut. Isaac Clark.

Order Thos Chittenden Pres.

David Castle is permitted to pass from this to his home unmolested as he has taken the oath of fidelity to United States
Thos Chittenden Pres.

David Castle gun is is permitted to remain at his fathers house unmolested until he is able then to pass to this place

By order. Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Bennet Bardsley is permitted to pass to Manchester and return within five days, except he should satisfy the judgement of this Council within that time and receive a certificate from this Council for order. Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Elijah Benedict is permitted to pass and repass unmolested as he has taken the oath of fidelity to the State of America.

By order. Thomas Chittenden Pres.

State of Vermont } In Council 20th September 1777

Resolved, that on reconsideration, that Zadock Hard pay a fine of forty pounds and ten shillings for the use of this State, and to stand committed until this judgement is complied with.

40-10-0

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Received the above sum of £ 40-10-0 at two several payments in behalf of the Treasurer.

Joseph Fay Secy.

State of Vermont }

In Council of Safety 20th September 1777

Resolved, on reconsideration that Caleb Dutton pay a fine of thirty pounds for the use of this State and stand committed until this judgement be complied with.

By order of Council. Thomas Chittenden Pres.

State of {
Vermont { In Council of Safety 20th September 1777.

Resolved, on reconsideration that Andrew Hawley of Arlington pay a fine of forty eight pounds for the use of this State, in complying herewith to be discharged, otherwise, to stand committed until this judgement is complied with—

£48-0-0 By order— Thomas Chittenden, Pres.

Received of Andrew Hawley £15-12-6 L.
money in part pay of the above judgement
J^r Joseph Fay Secy

State of {
Vermont { In Council of Safety 22 September 1777

This may certify that _____ has delivered one load of Boards which he brought from Chester Mills also that he carried one load of ~~Provisions~~ from this up to the lines at Corkrans House in this place on the 16th of August last for the use of the Army
By order Joseph Fay Secy.

State of {
Vermont { In Council of Safety 23 Sept—1777

Samuel Williams is permitted to pass and repass unmolested as he has been examined before this Council.

By order
Thomas Chittenden, Pres.

State of }

Vermont }

In Council of Safety 19th Sept 1777

The bearer Capt. Ebenezer Willoughby having
proposed examination before this Council has leave to return
to his home at Arlington to return the arms belonging to
Mr. Moore, on the guard he set over them, and return to
this Council within five days from this date, on the parole
of honor, having first notified Mr. Moore to attend on this
Council with him, or bring a line from said Moore, to
signify that all matters in dispute between them are
finally settled with Capt. Willoughby. Should Mr. Moore
refuse to attend, it is expected he will attend on this notice.

By order, Joseph Fay Secy

To whom it may concern —

State of }

Vermont }

In Council of Safety 19th Sept 1777

To Capt. William Fitch — Sir

Whereas Mr. Timothy Mead has some days past made
application to this Council to take thirteen sheep out
of the Dary flock in Arlington in lieu of that number
which he lost. This Council positively order that none be
delivered until further evidence can be had —

I am, Sir, your humble servant

By order of Council

Joseph Fay. Secy

State of {
Vermont { In Council of Safety 22d September 1777
To Captain Jonas Saluska - Sir

You are hereby directed to repair with the fifty men of the Militia of Col. Moses Robinsons Regiment now under your command, to the Hon. Major General Gates, Head Quarters who is the commander in Chief of the northern department. You will on your arrival put yourself under his immediate command where you will receive orders during the time you are engaged for, unless sooner discharged by him or some other Continental officer commanding the northern department, during which time you will strictly adhere to and follow such orders and instructions as you shall shall from time to time receive from your superior officers.

To Lt. William Hutchins - Sir

You being the next officer in command, and Capt. Saluska being unable to attend the service, will take the above command and see the orders duly executed

By order of Council
Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of {
Vermont { In Council of Safety 24th September 1777

To Mr. Corner. You are hereby ordered to deliver to Mr. William Broomby his cow that in your keeping, as I am informed your cow is in Shaftsbury and you can drive her home. By order of Council Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of
Vermont

In Council 24th September 1777

Whereas complaint has been made to this Council by
Doct^r Nathaniel Dickinson that he is not provided with necessaries
such as medicine & Spirits &c. for the use of the wounds under his
direction and care, though application has been sundry times
made, we therefore think proper, and do hereby appoint Mr.
Nathan Clark to wait on you to enquire ^{into} the affair.

By order of Council

Joseph Fay Secy

Doct^r Hogan —

William Haviland is permitted to pass to see his brother,
a prisoner in the State of New-York

By order, Joseph Fay secy.

To whom it may concern —

Nathaniel Mallery is permitted to join Capt.
Smiths Company as he has engaged to take arms ~~against~~ in
defence of the liberties of America

By order of Council, Joseph Fay Secy.

State of
Vermont

In Council 24th September 1777

James Lee is permitted to pass from this to his
home in the district of ^{ph}en in the State of Vermont.

By order of Council, Joseph Fay secy.

Benjamin Lee is permitted to pass from this to his home in
the district of Ira in the State of Vermont

By order of Council.

Joseph Fay Secy

State of }
Vermont }

In Council of Safety 24 September 1777.

Bennet Bradisley sentenced to pay a fine of fifteen pounds to satisfy the judgement of this Council against him for his enemical conduct towards the United States.

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, Secy.

Sate above received the sum of \$15 in full of the above judgement as per certificate given to him

J^r. Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of }

Vermont } In Council of Safety 24th. September 1777.

In consequence of a letter received from Col. Benjamin Simonds for horses to forward flour to the relief of General Warner at Ticonderoga, we have granted Warrants to procure them with all expedition

By order of Council. Joseph Fay Secy.

To Capt. Nathan Smith Sir

You are hereby required to march with the men under your command to Pawlet on horse back, where you will apply to Colonel Symonds for a horse load of flour to each man & horse, you will furnish boys sufficient for such purpose.

By order of Council. ~~Joseph Fay Secy.~~

Thomas Chittenden Secy.

To Capt. Eleazar Wood Sir

You are hereby required to take charge of the men, horses and baggage ordered from this town & proceed without one minutes loss of time to Pawlet, where you will apply to Colonel

Simonds for a load of flour for each horse, and proceed to General Warner with the same, if Col^d Simonds shall judge proper, when you return, you are to take special care that the horses & baggage be returned to their proper owners

Joseph Fay. Secy

State of

Vermont } In Council of Safety 24th September 1777

Subsequent to a complaint made to this Council by Henry Snyder for two horses stole as will appear by the complaint on file

Serjt. John Bean & Alexander Gordon being apprehended and brought before this Council, acknowledge themselves guilty of stealing said Horses.

Therefore this Council having taken into consideration their cases, do judge by the evidence, and their own confession that the act was theft, an atrocious crime, that demands by the law of God and man, that the prisoners or persons found guilty should be made a public example of, to deter people from such vicious practices, the Council unwilling to see any person suffer, are nevertheless constrained in duty to themselves and constituents to order that that the said John Bean & Alexander Gordon receive 39 lashes each on the naked back at the Liberty pole in this place, to satisfy the complaint of the same and be discharged — Mr. Josiah Brush, the officer appointed to execute this warrant, is appointed to see this judgement put in immediate execution

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

State of 3

Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 24th. September 1777

Henry Snider appeared before this Council & acknowledged to have received eighteen pounds & eighteen shillings for the damage and cost of recovering his horses.

Therefore the Council on reconsideration of the case of John Bean and Alexander Gordon have thought fit to take off the corporal punishment & discharge them on their paying to the Council as an acknowledgement to the public a fine of five pounds and nine shillings cost and receive a reprimand from the Honorable the President of this Council

By order.

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Received in full satisfaction of
the above judgement.

Joseph Fay Secy

Ebenezer Willoughby is permitted leave of absence for one week then to return and deliver himself to this Council.

By order.

Joseph Fay Secretary

State of 3

Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 25th. September 1777

In consequence of a letter this day received from Colonels Brown & Herrick requesting teams to be sent to bring on plunder to this place, we have therefore given orders to procure five teams.

By order of Council. Thomas Chittenden Dr.

Dadock Hurd is permitted to pass and repass also to take his effects in whos hands ever he may find them, proving property

To whom it may concern —

By order of Council, Joseph Fay Secy

Daniel Clark is permitted to pass and repass his behaving as becometh.

By order of Council Jos Fay. Secy.
To whom it may concern—

Charles Carr is permitted to pass from this to Jerico unmolested he behaving as becometh, by order of Council
Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 26th Sept. 1777
Oliver Colvin is permitted to pass to his fathers house in town there to remain until further orders from this Council

By order of Council. Joseph Fay Secy.
His father is security for his appearance £1000, forfeiture—
State of 3

Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 26th Sept. 1777

To Mr. Wright and the other teamsters in company, you are to repair from this to Barrelet with your teams, there to apply to the commanding officer or St. Thos. to be loaded with plunder, belonging to Col. Brown, and return with the same and deliver it safe to this Council,

By order of Council,

Joseph Fay, Secy.

Henry Francisco is permitted the liberty of this town during the pleasure of this Council.

By order Thomas Chittenden Pres.

To whom it may concern—

George Sherman is permitted to pass ~~from this~~
unmolested as he has taken the oath of fidelity

By order of Council. Joseph Fay Sec^y
Gideon Squire is permitted the liberty of this town during
the pleasure of this Council

By order of Council. Joseph Fay, Sec^y
To whom it may concern—

John Offere is permitted to pass from this
to Litchfield South Farms in Connecticut there to remain
and not to be found without the bounds of that place
without a pass from the Committee of Safety

By order of Council. Joseph Fay, Sec^y
To David Graftons— Sir

You are to repair from this to Pawlet, there to apply
to the commanding officer or St. Ebenezer Hide, who will
load you with plunder belonging to Colonel Brown
which load you are to deliver safe to this Council

By order of Council
Joseph Fay, Sec^y

State of {

Vermont } In Council of Safety 27th. September 1777.

Ebenezer Tolman & Consider Turner, Soldiers in Col.
Mushes Regiment in Capt. Nathaniel Winslows company
are permitted to pass the guards from this to Stillwater
and join their respective corps

By order of Council
Joseph Fay, Sec^y

Samuel Stewart is permitted to pass and repass from
this and join the army as soon as he is able to return
By order Joseph Fay, Secy

Sam Goodel is permitted to pass to Sunderland to the care of
his children and to return within six days

Thomas Chittenden, Secy

Henry Butterman a German soldier is this day permitted to
pass to Col. Simonds at Williamstown, to remain until further
order from this Council

By order

Joseph Fay, Secy

To whom it may concern —

State of {
Vermont {

In Council of Safety 29th September 1777

Abel Wright is permitted fifteen days absence then to return
and join his regiment; he is also permitted to pass from this to
Woodstock in the State of Connecticut

By order of Council. Joseph Fay, Secy

To whom it may concern —

State of {
Vermont {

In Council of Safety 30th September 1777

Jonathan Smith is permitted to pass from this to Rupert
and return with his family to this place, by order of Council

Joseph Fay, Secy

Benjamin & Benjamin Kellogg is permitted to
pass the guards to Addison unmolested on lawful business

By order of Council Joseph Fay, Secy

Abel Buck of Arlington is permitted to pass to his home, unmolested
at that place
By order of Council. Joseph Fay, Secy

To whom it may concern —

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 30th September 1777

Martin Basinback is permitted to pass to his home in Little
Hassock and return in 30 days, I promise on the forfeiture of
one thousand pounds to see the above named Martin before
the Council at the expiration of 30 days: Aaron ^E Backus

Samuel Cook is permitted to take his cattle from this to
Saratoga his home in Saratoga Patent there to remain so long
as he can be safe from the enemy.

By order of Council, Joseph Fay, secy.
To whom it may concern—

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 1st October 1777

Samuel Place is permitted to pass from this to his
home in Drummer to remain there unmolested as he
has taken the oath of fidelity to the United States of America.

By order of Council, Joseph Fay, secy.

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 1st October 1777

Request being made to this Council by Captain
Winchester for teams to forward provisions for the speedy relief
of the Army, in consequence of which the Council have granted
warrants to procure Carriages sufficient to forward one
hundred bbls. flour

by order, Joseph Fay, secy.
Oct. 2^d

Cheneater Willoughby is permitted six days absence, then to return
to this Council. by order, Joseph Fay secy.

October 3^d

This day an application being made to this Council by the chief Surgeon of the Hospital in this town, for kettles, we have therefore given an order to procure the same

By order of Council. Joseph Fay, secy.

State of 3
Vermont } In Council of Safety 3^d October 1777

Isaac Goodell is permitted to pass and repass any where to the south of the north line of Manchester, and also take any of his effects which have not been seized by authority, his proving his property as he has taken the oath of fidelity to the United States,

By order, Thomas Chittenden Secy.

To whom it may concern—

State of 3
Vermont } In Council of Safety 3^d October 1777

To Capt. John Simonds— Sir

You are hereby authorised and empowered to let or lease the estate of Colonel James Rogers, late of Kent, (now with the Kings Troops) both real and personal, and all Real Estate, (except so much as humanity requires for the comfortable support of the family left behind) you will sell at public Vendue and return the money raised on which sale (after the cost is paid) to the Treasury of this State. The improved land you will let or lease to some person or persons as you shall judge will serve the best purpose of supporting the family and the benefit of this State not exceed the term of Two years.

You will return to this Council an account of all estate both real & personal that you shall seize you will take the advice of the Committee of the town of Kent, with regard to what will be sufficient to support the family. You are to obey the orders of this Council from time to time relative to said

estate, and settle your account with them or their successors
or some person or persons appointed for that purpose, and
you are to do it on oath.

By order of Council, Thomas Chittenden Pres
Attest, Joseph Fay, secy.

This may certify that we, pursuant to Gen. Gates
orders, employed Mr. Moses Cleveland to ride post from this to Shef-
field and to impreg fresh horses when he should find it
necessary.

By order of Council, Joseph Fay, secy.
To whom it may concern —

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 3^d October 1777

The bearer Abigail Fairfield is permitted to take the two
yearling colts the former property of her husband and consort,
the same to her own use unless it shall hereafter appear that they
have been ~~hereafter~~ disposed of by order of this Council

By order of Council
Joseph Fay, secy.

In Council October 4th 1777

Jonathan Halibud is permitted to pass to Woodbury in Con-
necticut.

By order, Joseph Fay, secy.

Luther Colvin is permitted to drive off his and the Widow
Mary Batters Stock, he proving their property and paying charges
by order of Council, Joseph Fay, secy.

Moses Halibud is permitted to pass from this to Williamstown
with his family and to return to this Council within one
Week — By order of Council, Jos Fay, secy.

State of ³ Vermont ³ In Council of Safety 4th October 1777

Alexander McDoughel is permitted to pass from this to his home ~~at~~ the Scotch Patent as he has taken the oath of fidelity to the United States.

By order of Council Joseph Fay, secy.
To whom it may concern.

October 6th 1777

Gideon Squire is permitted to pass from this to Granville and remove his family

By order of Council Joseph Fay secy.
State of Vermont

In Council of Safety 7th October 1777

This Council orders, that you deliver James Hoskins the gun which you took from him

By order of Council Joseph Fay, secy.

Oct 8th 1777

Gentlemen - This Council earnestly recommends to the town of Bennington to warn a town meeting to fill up the Committee of Safety for said town

By order of Council -

Joseph Fay, secy.

To the selectmen of Bennington.

Sold Simon Sears & Mr. Bidson the one half of the cart belonging to the State for 23 dollars

By order Joseph Fay, secy.

Daniel Cady is permitted to pass from this to Durham than to remain until further orders, as he voluntarily taken the oath of fidelity to the United States. By order of Council
To whom it may concern - Joseph Fay, secy.

October 9th 1777

You will please to deliver Mr. Timothy Bicket the cart and oxen belonging to John Whittier to go to Castleton and bring off said Whittier's family to this place.

By order of Council Joseph Fay, Secy.
Jephtha Bartholomew is permitted to pass from this to join Capt. Barnaby Allen's company in the ranging service as he has passed examination before this Council & taken the oath of fidelity to the States of America—

By order Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 9th October 1777

William ~~Har~~lbut is permitted to pass from this to Greensborough and secure his family as he has voluntarily taken the oath of fidelity to the United States of America

By order of Council, Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 10th, October 1777.

This may certify to whom it may concern, that Doct^r Jacob Shuback being a friend to his country, has full power from this Council to take his estate where it may be found proving his property

By order of Council, Joseph Fay, Secy.

To whom it may concern—

Ephraim Knap is permitted to go to Burlington and remove his family down the country.

By order of Council, Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 10 October 1777

Comfort Curtis & his brother John Curtis is permitted to pass to Clarenden or elsewhere and collect his family & effects

and return to this Council with all possible expedition
By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Copy examined, for Joseph Fay, Secy.

Resolved, that no more rangers be enlisted into
Col. Samuel Herricks regiment to serve in the present
Campaign.

By order of Council, Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Attest Joseph Fay, Secy.

Oct. 18th, 1777.

This day agreeable to a manifesto sent to Nathaniel Fisk from
this Council of the 8th of Sept. last he has personally appeared
and voluntarily taken the oath of fidelity to the United States
of America

By order of Council, Jos Fay, Secy. —

Liberty is hereby given to the bearer Nathaniel Fisk
to take such live stock, or other effects belonging to him (not
disposed of according to the directions of this Council) where it
may be found, he proving his property and paying reasonable
charges.

By order of Council, Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of

Vermont } In Council of Safety 20th, October 1777.

To the Committee of Safety Bennington — Gentlemen,

On the request of Capt. John Tapett Junr one of your said Committee
the Council are of opinion that any person from that State, who have
voluntarily deserted Country's cause, and have had recourse to the
enemy for protection, directly or indirectly, do remain in their present
situation until a requisition be made by those who have them in custody
to the authority of this State. By order of Council, Joseph Fay Secy.

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety Oct. 20th 1777

This Council having had under consideration the particular circumstances of John Whittick, are of opinion, that he return to his farm in Castleton whenever he shall produce a certificate from under the hands of his several neighbors in that vicinity that they are severally satisfied to receive him into their friendship and there to remain until further orders unmolested.

By order of Council
Joseph Fay, Secy.

By my return with family if he chooses
To whom it may concern —

The bearer John Whittick is permitted to pass to Castleton for the purpose of procuring the above named certificate

By order of Council, Joseph Fay Secy.

Colonel Peter Bleck proposed the following question, viz: several of my men deserted over to the enemy after being drafted to go to Ticonderoga, were gone about one month and then returned, the question is, what must be done with the men.

(Signed) Peter Bleck

The Council's answer is, if those men are willing to defend the state at the risque of life and fortune, to loose what has been taken from them and sold for the benefit of the country and in case no seizure or sale has been made pay a fine adequate to their crimes, give them protection and pardon, but if they refuse to be their proportion of expence and will not take up arms in favour of our country interest treat them as captives.

By order of Council
Joseph Fay, Secy.

John Whitlock on further consideration judges it not safe
to remove his family or return himself to Castleton according to
the pass from the Council of this day date, he is therefore permitted
to pass with his family and effects to Danbury in Connecticut

By order of Council. Joseph Fay, Secy

To whom it may concern—

State of 3

Vermont 3

In Council of Safety 20th October 1777

Whereas God in his providence has smiled in a very remarkable
manner on our arms in the Northern Department, whereby
we are secured in a very considerable degree from the ravages
and machinations of a cruel and inveterate enemy & their
confederates. And whereas we delight not in misery or
confinement of any individuals when such confinement
is not absolutely necessary for the security of the major part.
Therefore we recommend it to the Committee of the several
towns in this state, to liberate all such persons as have
been confined on suspicion of being enemical or any whom
you may judge may with safety to this State or the United
States be liberated in full or in part with proper restrictions
such as confinement to their farms or towns, under the inspec-
tion of respectable persons during good behaviour

By order of Council

Jonas Fay, V. Secy

Copy examined Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of 3

Vermont 3

In Council of Safety 20 Oct. 1777

Jeremiah Barker is permitted to pass to his home in Charlestown
there to remain unmolested until further orders from this Council

By order of Council. Joseph Fay Secy

To whom it may concern

The bearer Joseph Lewis is permitted to pass to Clarinda
and remain at liberty until further orders from this Council

By order, Jas. Fay Secy.
To whom it may concern —

Henry Francisco is permitted to pass to
his home at Granvil and there to remain unmolested until
further orders from this Council or any military officer who
may have demand on him.

By order — Joseph Fay Secy.
To whom it may concern —

State of

Vermont } In Council of Safety 21st October 1777.

Resolved, that Joseph Bowker be and he is hereby appointed
a commissioner of Sequestration, as also Mr George Foot of Castleton
is hereby appointed a commissioner of Sequestration to act in
conjunction (when it may be necessary) with the other commissioners
of Sequestration appointed on this side of the mountain.

By order of Council, Joseph Fay, secy.
Warrant given to George Foot.

Daniel Gquire & Eleeneager Gquire are permitted to return
to their homes and remain unmolested until further orders from
this Council having taken the oath of fidelity to the United States

By order, Joseph Fay, secy.

Araham Davos, of Baunat is permitted to pass to his home in
said Baunat unmolested until further orders from this
Council.

Jas Fay Secy
He was in the Bennington Battle. has taken the oath of
Fidelity to the United States — — — S. H. secy

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 21st October 1777.

Benjamin Rose is permitted to pass to his home and he liable
to return to this Council when called for, or any authority of New York.

By order of Council, Joseph Fay, Secy.

Henry Young is permitted to return home and remain until further
orders from this Council.

By order of Council, Joseph Fay, Secy.

To whom it may concern —

This Council having taken into consideration
the complaint of Job Wood against Ebenezer Wood, & having
heard the several evidences in support of the complaint, are
of opinion that Job Wood rest in the peaceable possession of the
farm, the former property of Ebn^r. Davis, (late deceased) without
molestation from Ebn^r. Wood, until a proper trial can be had
relative to the title of land, and that the said Ebenezer pay
to the said Job for damage in breach of promise the sum of four
pounds five shillings & money & pay the cost of trial, taxed
at £2-12-0. By order of Council

Jonas Fay, Vice President

The complaint relative to the above judgement, warrant &
evidence to support it on file. —

Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council of Safety 22 Oct. 1777.

John McKel is permitted to pass from this to his home
there to remain under the authority of N. York. as he has voluntarily
taken the oath of fidelity to the United States of America

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, Secy.

To whom it may concern —

David Scott is permitted to pass from this to his home in
White Creek there to deliver himself up to the authority of New York
having taken the oath of fidelity to the United States of America
by order of Council: Joseph Fay, Secy.

Amos Marsh is permitted to pass to his home there to remain
until further orders from this Council having taken the oath
of fidelity to the United States.

by order. Joseph Fay, Secy.
Joseph Bratton is permitted to pass from this to his home
in Clarendon there to remain until further orders from
this Council, also is permitted to take his cow wherever
he may find her proving his property. having taken
the oath of fidelity to the United States

By order Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 24th Oct 1777.

Resolved that Elnathan Cook be appointed and he is hereby
appointed one of the Commissioners of Sequestration for the State
of Vermont to act in conjunction with the other commissioners
heretofore appointed. Warrant and instructions given.

Attest Joseph Fay, Secy.

To Col. Samuel Herrick & Co.

Whereas Capt. ~~Harwood~~'s wife has applied to this Council
for Liberty to go to her husband at Ticonderoga, the Council
would recommend to you or the officer commanding at
Pawlet or Keeneborough to convey her (by a flag) if you think
it best, and by such person as you shall think most expedient,
her necessary cloathing and one bed is to be allowed her

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, Secy.

The bearer Samuel Adams wife is permitted to pass with her children to her husband at Concordia unmolested after passing the examination of the officer commanding the Northern Department. Necessary cloathing and bedding is to be allowed, which order the commanding officer will see punctually fulfilled

By order of Council Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of

Vermont } In Council of Safety 29th Oct. 1777

Philos Haras wife is permitted to pass with her child to her husband at Concordia —

Order Joseph Fay, Secy.

Resolved that Michael Dunning be a commissioner of sequestration & is hereby appointed. Warrants and instructions given

By order of Council, Joseph Fay, Secy.

Mary Cares is permitted to take of her effects wherever they may be found, proving her property.

By order of Council Joseph Fay, Secy.

To whom it may concern —

31st

Hatly Hafford is permitted to pass to his home & there to remain until further orders, having taken the oath of Fidelity

By order of Council Joseph Fay, Secy.

To whom it may concern —

State of

Vermont } In Council of Safety 31st October 1777.

The bearer John McKil is permitted to remain at Lieutenant Breckenridges until further orders from this Council and

no other power in this State than that of this Council will
in future presume to violate a permission of this tenor
By order of Council Joseph Fay, Secy.

To whom it may concern—

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 12th November 1777

To the Sheriff of the county of Litchfield— Sir,

The bearer Mr. Abel Hawley informs this Council that he
by the name of Agur Hawley whoops
has a son confined in the common Gaol at Litchfield, the
Council are acquainted with the occasion of his confinement
at that place as no person here is able to give an account whether
any mittimus has been given or whether his can be criminal.
Should you on examination it consistent with good rule to
send him to this Council as he is probably an inhabitant of this
State, they would take his case under consideration, endeavour
to deal with him according to his merit.

I am, Sir, your most obedt. hble. servant

By order of Council. Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 13th Nov. 1777

The following is a copy of Jonathan Howard's certifi-
cate from Dr. Roback, vizt.

"Jonathan Howard being unfit for
duty on account of his health is permitted to pass to
Bennington."

Jacob Roback Surg

The bearer Jonathan Howard is there-
by Permitted to pass home and is also
discharged from the Service.

By order of Council

Joseph Fay Secy.

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 14th Nov. 1777
To Lieutenant Martin Barre - Sir

You are hereby required to let the bearer Mr. Broomly have
one yoke of oxen formerly the property of Samuel Bosc, he giving
his obligation for the value on demand, after being appraised
by men of judgement, or as you and he can agree -

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, Secy

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 14th November 1777

Resolved, that Thursday the 14th day of December
next be appointed ~~to be observed~~ and hereby is appointed
to be observed as a day of public thanksgiving and prayer
throughout the State of Vermont

By order of Council.

Joseph Fay, Secy

15th.

David Millington & Joseph Hamblower are permitted
to pass to Col. Brown's regiment

By order.

Joseph Fay, Secy

Andrew Stevenson, John Smith, Pennoni Pindock, Daniel
Martin & Samuel McFarren are permitted to pass to N. York
to Major John Van Ranselaar, there to deliver themselves
up to the authority of New York

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, Secy

To whom it may concern -

State of ³
Vermont; In Council of Safety November 16th. 1777.

Resolved, that it be recommended and it is hereby recommended to the Committee of Safety of each town in this State to take immediately under their examination all persons who have been to the enemy, or such as are deemed enemies to their country, each committee taking under their consideration the persons belonging to their own town & in such towns where no committee is appointed, to call the assistance of neighbouring committee. No person to be tried short of the number of seven or more committee men selected from three different committees. In case any such person or persons cannot satisfy the inhabitants of the town to which they belong & obtain their liberty to remain at home under proper restrictions to send such persons forthwith to this Council with their crimes in writing, and evidences to support the charges against them -

The Council further recommend to the respectable Committees of Safety in this State to be mindful of the worthy and laudable example set before them by his Excellency General Washington & the good people, inhabitants of New Jersey; - always bearing in mind to consider the weak capacities of many who have been affrightened into a submission to General Burgoyne, &c. - after which seeing their error, confess their fault, and are willing to defend their country's cause at the risk of life and fortune.

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden
Pres.

P.S. No person whatever, included in articles of capitulation are to be considered —

Attest

Joseph Fay, Secy.

Mary Blaynolds is permitted to send for her gray horse
and keep him in her possession until further orders from
this Council

By order of Council Joseph Fay. Secy.
To whom it may concern

17th Nov. 1777

To Capt. John Tapett - Sir

You are hereby required to deliver to
James Brock, his cow which you have in possession his
paying charges due for keeping and trouble

By order of Council Joseph Fay. Secy.

State of
Vermont

In Council of Safety 17th Nov 1777

Isaac Ines is permitted to pass to Wallingford in
the State of Vermont

By order

Joseph Fay. Secy.

18th November

This may certify that Seryth ~~Isaac~~ Livermore has faithfully done
his duty as commander of the guard of this place & that the
Council have discharged the prisoners from the guard house
and have no further service for him

By order of Council

Joseph Fay. Secy.

To whom it may concern

The following is a copy sent to the several
committees of Safety, vizt:-

Gentlemen - Inclosed you have a copy of a Resolve of
Council by which you will be governed and with respect
to Tory estates it must be left to the determination of
Council.

By order

Joseph Fay. Secy.

William Irish is permitted to pass to Timmouthe
By order. Joseph Fay, Secy.

To whom it may concern

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 18th November 1777.

Benjamin Reynolds & George Gardner are permitted to pass to Pownal
By order of Council Joseph Fay, Secy.

Isaac Goodael is permitted to pass to Wills

By order — — —

Joseph Fay, Secy.

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 19th Nov. 1777.

To Lt. Peter Robert Commissioner of Sequestration — Sir

You are hereby requested to furnish Colonel Thomas Chittenden with a quantity of hay at Arlington (if any there) for the support of his cattle. Keeping an account of the same & this order shall be your sufficient Voucher.

By order of Council — Joseph Fay, Secy.
19th —

Whereas David Remington an inhabitant of this State is guilty of deserting his country's good cause & repairing to the enemy, & aiding and assisting the British troops against the United States of America by which he is deemed a notorious enemy to his country. — Therefore

Resolved, that the whole of his interest within this State be forfeited and sold for the use and benefit of said state. it is further resolved that the said David Remington forthwith repair to his family wherever they may be, and never return within this State without license from proper authority of this State upon penalty of being taken up by any person or persons and brought before any committee

of safety or select men, or any proper authority of this
State, after being convicted of such offence, to receive
thirty-nine ~~half~~ stripes on the naked back, ~~or~~ ^{prison}
at the discretion of said Authority, or for every such
offence to be punished as aforesaid

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden
Pres.

David Remington is permitted to pass from this to his
family wherever they may be found

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, secy.

To all concerned

John McNeil is permitted to pass
to Timmawth

By order of Council Joseph Fay, secy.

To all concerned

State of {
Vermont {

In Council of Safety 19th November 1777 -

It is the opinion & judgement of this Council, that Dragoon
Asariah Reede pay Capt. John Fafett & his two Lieutenants
Mathew Lyon and Jonathan Wright, all the ration money due
to them while in service at Onion River in the year 1776
amounting to twenty dollars, taking Capt. Fafett's receipt
for the same, being money which said Reede drew from
the Quarter Master General

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, secy.

20th

To Mr. Stone - Sir,

You are hereby requested to deliver Mr. Fraser the leather belonging to him and Simon Fraser. They paying your demands for tanning.

By order
21st

Joseph Fay, secy.

To Alfred Hathaway - Sir

You are hereby required to procure immediately teams sufficient to transport ten barrels of flour from Manchester to the relief of Col. Hurricks regiment at Pawlet. you are further authorised to impress teams where you may find them most convenient for that purpose. for which this shall be your sufficient warrant

By order

Joseph Fay, secy.

State of
Vermont

In Council of Safety 21 Nov. 1777

Agrer Hawley is permitted to pass from this to Newport

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, secy.

24th.

Resolved, that Doct. Paul Spooner, Col. Peter Bleett, Capt. Curtis be appointed, and are hereby appointed a committee to settle with the Commissioners of Sequestration on the east side of the Green Mountains in this State and make returns to this Council by the first day of January next.

By order of Council
24th.

Joseph Fay, secy.

Resolved that the members of Council belonging to the east side of the Green Mountains in this State together with the above committee appointed to settle with the Commissioners of Seque-

tration, be appointed, and are hereby appointed with full power to determine the destination of all such persons whom the Committee of Safety deem to be dangerous persons to remain within this State or the town to which they belong also to determine with respect to the confiscation of such estate.

By order

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

This day sent to Elhannah Cook to proceed on business according to commission of Sequestration sent him this letter sent by Mr. Stephen Williams

Joseph Fay, secy.

Resolved that Joseph Smith and Abraham Salisbury be appointed and they are hereby appointed Commissioners of Sequestration. Warrants delivered for the same

Joseph Fay, secy.

Letter sent to John McConnel of Manchester to deliver up the cow in custody belonging to this State to Lieut. Pamel to be kept until further orders.

Joseph Fay, secy.

Andrew Barton is permitted to pass to New Haven & return to this Council by the 10th day of January next for trial by order of Col. Chittenden

Joseph Fay, secy.

N.B. He is permitted to take home one cow

28th Nov. 1777

Capt. Jonathan Fayett Commissioned to sequestrate ~~estate~~ effects, last during the pleasure of this Council or other Legislative body within this State

Jonas Fay V.B.

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 12th December 1777

The Committee of Safety for the Town of Dorset, are,
this day, certified, that Asa Baldwin, Samuel Moon,
Wm Underhill, Thomas Baldwin & Moses Vial, are discharged
for whatever they may have said or acted relative to the
dispute between Great Britain and America to the 23^d
day of September last.

By order of Council. Jonas Fay, V. President.

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 20th December 1777.

This day given Col^o Chittenden an order to take one
cow belonging to this State, now in the custody of John Conner
of Manchester, which cow is to be appraised, and an account
returned to this Council.

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, secy.

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety 20th December 1777

Andrew Hawley is permitted to take his gun
first obtaining liberty of the Committee of Safety and return
it to committee within six weeks from this date.

By order of Council Thomas Chittenden

Pres.

To all concerned. —

The end of the proceedings of Council
as recorded in book No. 1. entered in this book this
22 day of March 1777

By order of the Governor & Council
Joseph Fay, secy.

Bennington 17th September 1777

The following are copies of letters written by the Council commencing date above, and ending the 17th of February, 1778-

Bennington 17th September 1777

Dear General,

We have received certain intelligence from two of our neighbors, who left the enemy last Saturday that they have called in all their out posts, at and south of Lake George, to join their main body at Saratoga, together with their artillery & provisions so that there is not even a guard left. Also they see the Capt. of the buttaux men, who told them he was ordered to destroy all the boats that he could not handle ~~get~~ along down the river, by no means to leave any behind, and they judge by all the movements of the enemy, that they are determined for Albany at all events, which agrees with every intelligence from Genl. Gates' Army. We have certain intelligence by gentlemen who left there last evening, that General Burgoyne is on the move towards Stillwater, & that they have done great mischief in burning the buildings at White Creek, also have taken some prisoners & cattle from Cambridge, which alarm the inhabitants to that degree, that they are removing their families and effects into the country. We are apprehensive of danger from the enemy's small boats, who are daily discovered between this and the enemy's lines, as there is no guard kept between this and the General Gates' Head Quarters. We hope your Honor will take this matter under your consideration, & grant such relief as your wisdom shall direct. We are, Dear Sir, your most obedient & very

Hon. Maj. Genl. Lincoln }
Copy attest. Joseph Fay, secy. }

Order - Humble servant -
Thomas Chittenden

Bennington 18th Sept. 1777

Dear General

I am ordered by this Council to enclose a copy of General Gates' letter to you, which agrees with ours of yesterday's date. we have also agreeable to the General's orders sent copies to the eastward to forward the militia of this State with all expedition. You will please to consult with General Bailey & will doubtless think proper that he return or send home to forward the militia with all expedition.

I am, Sir, your most

Obedient Hum. Servant
Joseph Fay, Secy.

Hon. Maj. Gen. Lincoln

M.B. We have also sent copies to New-Hampshire that the militia of that State be forwarded with all expedition.

By order

Joseph Fay, Secy.
Bennington 18th September 1777.

Gentlemen

I am ordered by this Council to enclose a copy of Genl. Gates' letter to you ^{by} which you will see the necessity of forwarding your militia with expedition. you will also forward ^{copies} (to the eastward) of ~~the~~ the General's letter requesting them to come forward.

I am, Gentlemen, your most

Obedient Hum. Servant
Joseph Fay, Secy.

Hon^{le} Committee of
Charleston New-Hampshire

(Copy)

Bennington 18th September 1777

Sir

I am ordered to enclose you a copy of Genl. Gates' letter by which you will immediately march with the militia under your command to join him. you will also forward copies to Col. Marches regiment.

I am Sir, your Hum^l Servant
by order - Joseph Fay, Secy.

Col. Peter Keott

Bennington 18th September 1777

Dear General

This day received your orders to forward the militia. in consequence of which, we have given orders for the militia to be raised immediately. Also have forwarded copies to New-Hampshire requesting the militia to be forwarded with all expedition, as also your letter to the County of Berkshire. Nothing in the power of this Council will be neglected to prosecute your orders when called upon

I am, Sir, your most obedient
Humble Servant

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, Secy

Hon. Major Genl. Gates, Commanding the Northern Department

Bennington 18th Sept. 1777

Sir

We have this day received a letter from your Honor directed to the Commanding officer of the troops on their way to join the Army, on their way to join the Northern Department which we have forwarded by express

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety Bennington 20th Sept. 1777.
Dear General

Your favour of the 18th. instant was duly received. For which I am ordered to return you the thanks of this Council. A gentleman was last evening in Council who left the enemies Head Quarters Monday evening last and has had such intelligence among them for considerable time past as to be able to collect their strength very nearly. They consist of six regiments of British. which makes about 3,000. and about the same number of foreign troops, besides Tories. They have about six weeks provisions, which they keep constantly on board their water craft. except what is daily dealt to the troops. They seem engaged to risque all on one desperate battle. The troops front of the army expect to winter in Albany if General Howe penetrates up North River. if not at Ticonderoga & then near in Canada. Any service in the power of the Council is always ready at your command. I have the Honor. to be,
Yr. General. By order of Council. your most Obedient
Humble Servant

Jonas Fay V. S.

Since closing this letter. a person has arrived from Fort George. who brings intelligence that only 30 men are at that place. and no water craft except 2 gun boats. moored off at a distance from shore. Since the above. Col. Johnson of General Starks Brigade. mentions that on hearing a brisk cannonade yesterday afternoon. sent two of his men back on horses. who have returned. and report that Genl. Arnold with his Detachment made prisoners of 250 of the enemy. & being reinforced. possessed himself of three

of the enemies field pieces & made himself master
of the ground. This is the best intelligence and the most
exact I can obtain. wishing you Honors &c.

I am Sir General your most obedient

Humble Servant

Jonas Fay

Brigadier General Stark

Bennington 18th September 1777

Sir

I am directed by the Council to enclose you a
copy of a letter just received from General Gates by which
you will see the importance of the exertion of the militia
at this critical juncture. for the salvation of this State if
not the whole country. Therefore it is expected that you
will exert yourself and come forward with all the militia
you can raise out of your regiment without one moment
loss of time. General Gates has sent to the State of Massachusetts
orders & ordered us to send to New Hampshire. which we have
done & to the upper regiment in this State.

I am, by order, Your most Obedt Huml. Servant

Thomas Chittenden

P.S. I heard by Capt. Drury that your people now with
the Army are like sheep without a shepherd & very uneasy
at your being absent & threaten to come off with Genl.
Stark's men

by order Thomas Chittenden

Capt. Wm. Williams

Copy examined.

Joseph Fay Secy.

State of Vermont

In Council of Safety Bennington 20th Sept 1777

A gentleman, an acquaintance of mine was last evening in Council from the enemies Head Quarters on Sunday evening last who has had such an acquaintance among them for some time past as to put it in his power to learn their strength and situation very nearly. They consist of six British regiments which amount to nearly 3000 and about the same number of foreign troops exclusive of Tories. They have six weeks provisions which they have constantly on board their Water Craft. The Gentleman learns further that they seem disposed to risque all on one desperate action. The front of their Army expect to winter ⁱⁿ at Albany if General Howe penetrates up North River, if not at Ticonderoga and the rear in Canada. any thing in the power of the Council is always ready at your command. I have the Honor to be
Y^r General By order

Your Most Obedient Hum^l Servant

Jonas Fay V.P.

N.B. by a person this instant arrived from Fort George. only 30 men are at that place and 2 gun boats lay anchored at a distance from land and that the enemy have not more than three weeks provisions

J. F. V.P.

Hon. Major General Gates

Bennington 21st Sept. 1777

To all Gentlemen concerned } Circular }
Letter }

The Council enclose a copy of the Hon. General Gates particular and positive orders of this days date to you which he requests may be forwarded to you with the greatest speed. It seems your assistance can never be more wanted than at this critical moment. The armies are now in such a position as renders it impossible for the enemy to avoid an action, it is a thing almost impossible for them to retreat. Therefore if you will now instantly give your assistance, you never can have it in your power to do yourselves and your Country a greater service. So favorable a prospect of success in the Northern Department never before appeared. Pray exert yourselves this once and the matter cannot detain you long. I am d^r Gentlemen with great anxiety (by order of Council) Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

Thomas Chittenden Secret

Copy examined. Joseph Fay Secy —

Bennington 6 o'clock 24 Sept. 1777

State of }
Vermont } In Council date of Safety date above
d^r General

Your particular Orders by Major Cochrane has been duly received and copies thereof have been enclosed and forwarded to every necessary post with orders to have them forwarded without one moments loss of time.

The Council are very anxiously concerned for your honors welfare and the General may absolutely rest assured that no one thing shall be wanting that is in their power to grant every assistance. I am d^r General
by order of Council your most Obedient Humble Servant
Hon. Maj. Genl. Gates. (Copy examined) Joseph Fay Secy Thomas Chittenden Secret

Bennington 22 Sept 1777

Dear General

I am directed by the Council to inform you that the rangers of this State under the command of Col. Samuel Herrick in conjunction with Col. John Brown of Pittsfield, have the command of Lake George and the enemies Water Craft, as also Macont Defiance, Hope, & the French Lines, by Ticonderoga, Mearnsborough and have taken

2 Captains

9 Subalterns

143 Rank & noncommissioned officers

119 Canadians

20 Artificers

293 Total

And one hundred of our prisoners

released, a quantity of provisions and a number of arms, out of which, the one hundred prisoners just mentioned who were taken in the action at Hubbardton, were furnished, & now act in conjunction with Col. Herrick and Brown. The enemies Water Craft consists of 200 batteaux and one armed Hoop. Last Friday an action ensued between General Gates & Burgoyne. General Arnold with his division attacked a division of Burgoyne, in which Genl. Arnold gained the ground, when the enemy were reinforced by the main body, when General Arnold was obliged to retreat, but being reinforced, recovered his own so that the ground remained till 8 o'clock yesterday divided between them, none gained on either side & the dead unnumbered; this account came from Genl. Gates Head Quarters yesterday afternoon, by Major Cochran, who ~~left~~ returns this morning with the Hon. Maj. Genl. Lincoln, the Major adds that the loss in this action is computed by the best accounts at between 2800 killed & wounded and the enemies loss at 1000 killed & wounded.

and taken prisoners, among the wounded is Genl Bungey
shot in the loins there left is of the British Dragoons. The
cannon was again heard yesterday, but no particular
account of the execution has yet transpired. The enemy seem
determined to risk all at once, as it is reported they
have the whole of their stores and other necessaries with them
and cut away the bridges behind them as they advance
they keep their provisions constantly on board their boats
in the North River.

I have the Honor. to be, with the Councils
best compliments (by order), your
Honor's most Obedient Humble Servant
Joseph Fayser.

Hon^{ble} General Wolcott —

In Council Bennington 23rd Sept 1777

Dear Sir

This moment received your favour of this day, dated
requesting horses and empty baggs to be forwarded with
expedition. in consequence of which we have granted fyp
warrants to procure them without loss of time and will be
on tomorrow. I am, Sir, with esteem - Your order of Council

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
Joseph Fayser.

Col. B. Simonds —

In Council of Safety Bennington 24 September 1777
State of 3
Vermont 3 Dear General

The Council have received certain
intelligence this morning that a very considerable —

number of the Militia from the eastern State are now on their march to your assistance. Several companies have passed this place this morning for the above purpose. The bearer Captain Angel will be able to give your honor further intelligence in the matter. The Council are every moment anxious to know your honor's present situation, your wants (if any) and whether they be such as is in their power to relieve.

I have the honor to be Sir General

Your most obedient humble servant

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres

The Hon^{ble} Major Gen^l Gates —

Bennington 14th Nov^r 1777

Sir General

It has been some considerable time since this Council have been together, occasioned by the indisposition of the bodily health of some of the members. They are now together and have your several letters of a late date before them. The report of the enemies evacuating the forts Picardroga and Mount Independence, makes it unnecessary to answer your request for raising the Militia of this State. The messenger sent after shoes for the use of your Regiment is daily expected, on his return shall let you know his success. The Council are of opinion that no persons were included in the articles of ~~made~~ made and ~~signed~~ subscribed by and between Lt. General Burgoyne & The Hon^{ble} Major General Gates, but those who were actually included within Burgoyne's lines at the time of subscribing those articles.

therefore naturally conclude that those tory enemies who were without Burgoyne's lines are not to be dealt with by the military, but civil law, by which rule you doubtless guide your conduct.

I am, Sir, (by order of Council) your most Obedt
Humble Servant
Joseph Fay Secy

Col^d Herrick —

Bennington 15th Nov: 1777

State of
Vermont, In Council date above
Sir —

Enclosed you have a list of the names of five prisoners (& their crimes) belonging to your State who have for some days past been confined in this place. We have thought proper to take their paroles to deliver themselves to you as prisoners and be subject to the authority of the State of New-York. You will therefore after examining them send for the evidence to support the several charges against them, and deal with them according to the nature of their crimes. I am, Sir, (by order of Council) your most obedient

Humble Servant Joseph Fay Secy.
Major John V. Mansel —

Bennington 24 Febr 1777.

Dear Sir —

Agreeable to your request received last evening, the Council send you such assistance as you desired. They will remain with you a reasonable time to effect

the business for which they are sent - You will please
give such instructions from time to time as you may judge
most advantageous to the public good. The Council
rejoice at the success of the Northern Troops wish your further
success. I have the honor to be D. Sir. (by order of Council)
Your most Obedient Humble Servant

Col^o Simonds -

Thomas Chittenden Pres^t

Bennington 30th Sept. 1777.

Dear General

Your favour of the 28th. is this moment come
to hand. Your honors particular care for this part of the country
I am ordered by the Council to acknowledge. They are of opinion
that the post you have been pleased to order occupied in
this department. will sufficiently secure the inhabitants for
the present

I have the honor to be D. General

Your most obedient Humble Servant

By order. Joseph Fay, Secy.

The Hon Major Gen^l Lincoln -

Bennington 3^d October 1777

Dear Col^o

I have this day instant received your favour
dated Pawlet 1st October Instant and am ordered by this
Council to return you their sincere thanks for your
spirited behaviour since your appointment and in
particular your late noble enterprise at Lake George
Landing, Ticonderoga & for destroying the enemies Water

Craft in General to the great disadvantage of the enemy
With regard to the appointment of Sergt. Smally to Lieutenant
in Capt. Woods company. It will be left with you is a proper
recommendation can be obtained and he raise his quota of
men.

Shoes can be had at Shaftsbury, as we are informed there
is some made there, upwards of 80 pair ready, which you
can have at any time. I heartily wish you success, and
make no doubt you will conduct yourself agreeable to the
trust reposed in you, I am &c. Sir. (by order of Council) your
most Obedient

Humble Servant

Thomas Chittenden Secy.

Capt. Jam^{es} Herrick. (Copy examined, Joseph Fay Secy.)

Brimington 4 October 1777

Dear Sir-

The Council (at the request of Dr. Hony) have
provided a number of hospitals for the sick Militia.
nothing seems wanting to make them comfortable
as their condition will admit of excepting a Com-
missary furnished with money to procure provisions
and other necessaries for said Hospital, the former
Commissary being called upon by Dr. Hony, to make
a final settlement and give back the cash that
remains ~~now~~ on hand. The same gentleman (Capt
Fapett) is willing still to continue Commissary to the
Hospital on being properly supplied with cash. I am
Sir by order of Council, your very Humble Servant

Joseph Fay, Secy.

Dr. John Potts D.D. &c.

Bennington 6th October 1777

State of Vermont.

In Council date above } Sir

We are informed that Mr. L. Payne of Sunderland has in his custody one yoke of oxen the property of this State which we desire you take into custody immediately.

Yours, Sir, by order of Council
Gave Humble Servant Joseph Fay Secy.
St. Martin }
St. Peter Roberts } Commissioners

In Council Bennington 8th October 1777

Dear General - The Council are this minute informed by Dr. Hovey who has at present the charge of upwards of one hundred ~~prisoners~~ sick belonging to the Army and deposited in this place that is called upon by letter from the Surgeon & Physician at N. City to attend the sick at that place. The circumstances are truly critical. This town have suffered almost every inconvenience with cheerfulness and always stand ready to contribute any thing in their power for the common cause. But as we find we are incumbered with many things and have neither surgeons, Physicians, or Medicines to attend those already on hand, beg your honor to place some continental Surgeon or Physician in lieu of Dr. Hovey, in case he should be removed. The Surgeon who has the command at N. City will be served ^{with} this request at the same time - I am &c. General. by order of Council your most Obedient Humble Servant Joseph Fay Secy.

The Hon. Major General Gates. Commanding N.D. -

N.B. Dr. Hovey gives universal satisfaction. Therefore pray he may be continued if consistent - Joseph Fay Secy.

Brimington 8th Oct. 1777

Sir

This Council are informed that you are found (since your papered examination before us) with ^{land ammunition} arms, secreted which gives the inhabitants great uneasiness and nothing short of your making immediate satisfaction to this Council will prevent your being ordered ~~to remove~~ immediately to remove which must be done forthwith.

By order of Council

Joseph Fay Secretary.

P.S. if you can satisfy the inhabitants and obtain their Liberty you may remain until further orders.

Joseph Fay, Secy

David Castle, Parole —

State of ^{Connecticut}

Vermont } In Council Brimington 8th October 1777

Dr. General

The Council this moment had under examination a Sargeant Major of the Foreign Troops. taken near Mount Independence by a scout of Col.° Herriets rangers. who informs us that the garrison of Ticonderoga & Independence have been reinforced by about 600 troops (principally British) from Fort Stanwix. That it is reported at that place, that a detachment is to make a forced march out of Lake George with 10 days provisions to reinforce General Burgoyne. that no movements of any boats across the Lake is mentioned among them. The whole number of troops at their Garrison is about 1000. The Council hold themselves bound in duty to give the earliest intelligence of any movements of the enemy that may come fresh to their knowledge.

I have the Honor to be Dr. Genl. by order of Council your most Obedt. Servt.

Hon. Major Genl. Gates —

Joseph Fay Secy

Birmingham 10th Oct 1777

Transmitted the intelligence of a reinforcement to Genl. Follen
by a letter of this date

Joseph Fay Secy
Birmingham 25 Oct 1777

Dear General

I am directed to acquaint your Honor of the necessity
of building some Barracks, a Hospital &c. in this place, as
there is a large Continental Store kept here of provisions
and ammunitions for the use of the continent. & a guard
to guard it, as also it is a place where soldiers rendezvous,
which makes it not only necessary on account of its being
very troublesome to the inhabitants, but very inconvenient
for both officers and soldiers who are passing to and from
the army. The inhabitants of this place have been willing
to suffer any thing to support the American Cause, and
still are, but if your honor should think expedient to
order a Barracks to be erected, it would ~~be~~ greatly contribute
to the benefit and happiness of not only the people but
officers and soldiers that may be ordered this way, I
shall however submit the affair to your Honors direction
being assured that nothing in the power of your honor
will be wanting, that will contribute to the happiness
of the people

I have the Honor to be Dear General your most

Obt. Humble Servant

By order Joseph Fay, Secy

Honorable Major General Gates

In Council Bennington 24th October 1777

Sir

The Council finding it necessary have thought fit to appoint you a Commissioner of Requisition, to act in conjunction with those Commissioners heretofore appointed and enclose you a warrant for that purpose. hope you will accept thereof, by which you will much oblige your country and your Humble Servant.

By order of Council Joseph Fay, Secy.
To Capt. Elhanan Cook -

Bennington 12th November 1777

Dear Sir.

Brigadier Major Wallbridge who has undertaken to build a storehouse in this place, has made application to this Council for the assistance of Lt. Edgerton and several others of your regiment, (such as he may chuse) the Council submit to your direction whether the service requires their immediate assistance if so you will doubtless detain them, if not they may continue in the service, and attend to the business as artificers, for which Lt. Edgerton and other Workmen will be allowed one dollar pr day, in addition to their present pay, and common hands 4/- pr day. The number wanted will be about 10. which must be good hands. I am directed to present you the Councils compliments, you will please except the same, from, Dear Sir, (by order of Council) your most obedient Humble Servant
Joseph Fay, Secy.

Col. Hurrick -

State of
Vermont

Bennington 16th Nov^r 1777

In Council doct above

Dear General

The Council enclose to you a letter

from Lt. Colonel Herriek which contains an account of the
enemies having evacuated the fort of Siconderoga and
Independence, as also a request to be removed to this place.
The Council would wish to know if your Honor has any
further service for them in the Northern Department, as
this part of the Country seems at present to be secure on
account of the enemies from Great Britain and as his regiment
was raised by this State to continue in service until the
15th day of January next. only it is possible they might be soon
discharged. if not discharged to your Honor's pleasure. I have
the honor to be Dear General your most obedient
Humble Servant

Jones Fay, V. B. of Gen.

Hon. Major Genl Gates, Albany

Barnington 18th Nov. 1777

Madam

We received your petition the 8th instant
requesting an answer, we let you know that we are not
destitute of human affection towards all persons that are
in principal and practice friends to America. if it be found
in a weaker vessel. Therefore you are permitted to remain
in peace where you are until further orders from this
or a future Council or a General Assembly of this State

By order of Council Joseph Fay, Secy

Mrs. Easter Hawley

18th

John Foot is permitted to pass from this to Sunderland

By order of Council Joseph Fay, Secy

To whom it may concern

18th

David Heile is permitted to pass to his family in the State of
New Hampshire,
To whom it may concern

Joseph Fay

In Council Bennington 20th Nov 1777

Dear Col^o

In consequence of your letter of the 14th instant requesting to be removed to this or some place near this the Council immediately sent an express to Genl Gates with a copy of your letter, as also a copy of General letter to you, & your answer. The express has this morning returned, enclosed you here a copy of the Generals letter which I think does you and the State of Vermont great honor and by which you will find the Generals approbation on your regiments being dismissed. The Council therefore order that your regiment be dismissed immediately as soon as this comes to hand unless it will be a means of frustrating some plans which you have in prosecution, you will be able to judge in that affair. I am directed by Council to return you and the regiment under your command both officers and soldiers their hearty thanks for their good ~~constant~~ services to this and the United States. The Council is also requested to return by the Hon. Maj. Genl. Gates to return you his thanks for the good services of your regiment which you will see by his letter enclosed. I am, Sir, sincerely your humble servant, by order of Council

Col. Herrick

Joseph Fay, Secy

Bennington 21 Nov. 1777

Dr^r Sir

Yours of last evening came to hand this morning forwarded by Lt. Holms. I am ordered by Council to let you know they are much pleased at the spirited conduct of Major Wait & Capt Allen in their late expedition to the

orders, and that a copy of your letter will be ~~sent~~ immediately sent to the Hon. Major General Gates which I think cannot fail to recommend your regiment in the highest degree. you will find enclosed in a letter from Council of yesterday a copy of a letter from General Gates. which does your regiment great honor. Commissary Sherman (on the reception of your letter for provisions) made application to Council on which a prep warrant was drawn to forward ten barrels flour from Manchester to your relief with all possible expedition - I am Sir, with respect your real friend & Humble Servant.

By order of Council

Joseph Fay Secy

Col. Herrick

Bennington 22 Nov. 1777

State of ^{Conn.}
Vermont

In Council date above

Gentlemen - We received the proceedings of your town in October 25th ult. these are to inform you that we have passed a Resolve in what manner Tories shall be tried. The Commissioners of Sequestration have received their orders from Council in what manner to proceed with Tory estates and that those who have forfeited their estates, it is to the state in general and not to any particular town till further orders from this or a future Council or a General Assembly. I am, Gentlemen, by order of Council, your most obedt. Humble Servant

Thomas Chittenden Pres

To the inhabitants of Clarinda

In Council Brimington 20th Nov. 1777

Sir

Enclosed you have a commission of Sequestration
hope you will accept the same, with your wisdom and
patience in the due execution thereof & am Sir, by order of
Council your most Obedient Humble Servant

Thomas Chittenden R.

Capt. Joseph Bowker —

Brimington 22 Nov. 1777

Dear General

We have the pleasure to inform your honor
of the success of our Green Mountain rangers in
harrasing the enemies near on their retreat from Ticon-
deroga in which Capt. Eleazer Allen with 51 rangers
has taken 49 prisoners, upwards of one hundred horses
12 yoke of oxen, 4 cows, and 3 of the enemies boats &c. &c.

Major Wait who was sent to take possession of
Mount Independence, found nothing of consequence
there, except several boats which the enemy had sent
in which there was some provisions, all barracks, houses
and bridges were burnt. Cannon to the number of 40
were broke and spiked. he was so fortunate as to take
one french sittler, with some rum, wine, and brandy
&c. Agreeable to your honor's request for Col^o Warner to
come to Albany, Express was sent, and he is to set out for
Albany this morning. I have the honor to be (by order of
Council) your honor's most Obedient

Humble Servant

Thomas Chittenden R.

Hon. Maj Genl. Gates

In Council Bennington 25 Nov. 1777

Dear General

I am directed by Council to inform your honor that the prisoners taken by Capt. Allen on the west side of Lake Champlain have arrived at this place. The Council thinks proper to send them to Albany where your honor can dispose of them as you shall think proper as the most part of them are Tories belonging to the State of New York. Several of them pretended they were included in the capitulation between your honor and General Burgoyne. Be that as it will, they were found aiding and assisting the enemy in driving their cattle to Canada. your honor's wisdom will be sufficient to direct in this affair.

I have the honor to be by order of Council
Your honor's most Obedient ^{En.} Hum. Servant
Thomas Chittenden R

Hon. Maj. Genl. Gates —

Bennington 25. Nov. 1777

To Capt. Samuel Robinson, Sir —

You are hereby requested to take seven men of your regiment Company of Militia together with as the rangers, who guarded the prisoners from Lalet to this place, and take the command of the guard and march the prisoners in the guard house immediately to Albany, and deliver them to the Hon. Major General Gates

I am, Sir, (by order of Council) your most Obedient

Humble Servant,

Tho: Chittenden, R

In Council 25 Nov. 1777

Sir - The confusion and multiplicity of business occasioned by the unhappy war in the Northern Department since the appointment of this Council, has prevented their being able to get the constitution printed, which obliges this Council to desire you to call ~~this~~ together the old convention to meet at Windsor on Wednesday next, which you will not fail to do. I am, Sir, by order of Council your most obedient

Humble Servant

Thos Chittenden D^r

Capt. Bunker -

P^r. The business of the convention will be to adjourn the meeting of the General Assembly -

Thos Chittenden -

Bennington 29th November 1777

Dear General

I am directed by this Council to acquaint your Honor, that the prisoners taken by Capt. Allen, have arrived at this place, and on examination find; (to our surprise) a number of them to be included in the articles of capitulation. Therefore think proper to enclose a particular return of them, and beg your Honor's further directions. Notwithstanding your orders to send them to Hartford in Connecticut, yet least it might be disagreeable to your Honor to send any who were destined to Canada, although when taken were found aiding and assisting the enemy to drive cattle and secure their effects. Thought proper to acquaint your Honor with every particular circumstance, beg your directions by the bearer which will be carefully complied with by your Honor's most Obedient Humble Servant.

Hon. Maj Genl. Gates -

Thos Chittenden

Brimington 3 Dec - 1777

State of Vermont } In Council date above
Sir,

I have it in command from the Hon^{ble} Major General Gates, to send all the prisoners of war (confined in this place) to Hartford in Connecticut and deliver them to your charge. I have transmitted a particular return of them to the Commissary of prisoners at Albany. you will be able to take a particular acct of them from their own declaration. I am, Sir, by order of Council

Your most Obedient Hum^{ble} Servant
Jonas Fay, V. P.

Ezekiel Williams Esq. Com. of Prisoners, Hartford Ct

In Council Brimington 8th December 1777

Sir - Yours of the 17th inst. came to hand this morning requesting to hear the evidence of Galord Hutchins sent to you - I am directed by Council to acquaint your honor that he has contrary to exp^{res} orders from Council left this town and as his crimes were ~~com~~mitted in this State, think proper that he be sent immediately to this place for trial. I am, Sir, by order of Council your most Obedient humble Servant

Joseph Fay, Secy

Edward Hinaman Esq. Woodbury -

Brimington 7th Jan^y 1778

Sir - you may remember that on the 21st day of Oct. last. judgement was had against you by the Council of the State of Vermont in favour of Mr. Job Wood, in which trial you was to pay the cost which I find on examination to amount to about £50.0 Mr. Job Wood, now presents requests the authority of Council to

interpose in his behalf on this judgement of Council
it is expected you will pay his bill on sight. Should you
refuse, you need not expect a second indulgence in the
premises. I am your friend & humble servant

Jonas Fay

Mr. Eben Wood —

Bennington 10 January 1778

State of }
Vermont } In Council date above
Dear Sir—

At the last sitting of the General Convention at
Windsor the 24th day of December last, they were pleased to
chose you a member of the body. Ira Allen was appointed
to advise you therewith and desire your immediate
attendance at this place. And least he should through hurry
of business have neglected it, the Council congratulate
on your appointment and request your attendance without
loss of time, as much business is on hand of absolute necessity
to be immediately completed, as settling with the
rangers etc. etc. I am Dear Sir your Most Obedt. Hum^{ble} Servant

Jonas Fay —

Benjamin Carpenter Esq. —

Bennington 12th January 1778.

Sir— Yours of this days date is now before the Council
in which you request to know whether Thomas Barren and
Jonathan Nicholson are prisoners of War. The Council here
wrote to General Gates on the subject, who says in his answer
they are by all means to be deemed as such. The Council
therefore expect you to provide for them their rations on
application until an opportunity shall present for disposing

of them otherwise. I am, Sir, your humble servant
by order of Council

Wm Sherman Esq. Commissary — Jonas Fay, V. President of Council

In Council of Safety Bennington 12th 1778
State of Vermont

Gentlemen. On application of Mr. Butterfield forwarded by the Hon. Col. Chittenden. This Council have taken into consideration the matter relative to the estate the former property of this State James Hard late of Arlington, and are of opinion that you have good right to rent the whole agreeable to your instructions in your commission, (except but for one year from April next) notwithstanding the womans deed (distinct) or otherwise from her husband. I am, Sir, your most Obedient humble servant

Joseph Fay, Secy

Capt. Fitch & Lt. Roberts

Commissioners of Sequestration —

Bennington 31st January 1778.

Dear General

I am directed by this Council to inform your honor, that application has been made to this Council by Col. Herrick for a sum of money to assist him in raising three hundred troops for a certain expedition upon which a bounty on each man was granted, after which application was made for recruiting money for the officers, which was not fully complied with, which no doubt your honor has been been informed, that Col. Herrick is like to disappoint you in your request to him. being

convinced that the expedition to this State is of the utmost importance, (could it be performed) would acquaint your honor, that on the last application made by you to this council, any number of troops possible to be raised shall be at your command. Since your honor would forward this Board with with the particular method in which the State of New Hampshire raises their troops for this expedition, as also the encouragement provided by the continent. Yesterday received a certain intelligence that the Lake is closed with ice

I am Sir, with sentiments of esteem, Yours
of Council your most Obedient Humble Servant

Thomas Chittenden Esq.

Hon^{ble} Brigadier Genl. Stark

Bennington February 7th. 1778

State of
Vermont }

In Council date above
Gentlemen

Your request for this Councils assistance in guarding the frontiers of this State, has this moment come to hand, the Council have taken the same into consideration and in consequence have ordered one hundred men to be immediately raised and properly officered for that purpose who will march as soon as they can be possibly raised. It is expected the inhabitants in your quarter will turn out freely on this emergency, they will continue five weeks in service unless sooner discharged. It is proposed that Capt. Gideon Warren command this detachment. provisions will be forwarded from time to time for the subsistence of the troops.

also ammunition, the council send you ten pounds of powder
and cannot furnish any lead for others, than the troops to
be engaged in the aforesaid services.

I am, Gentlemen, your most humble servant

By order of Council Joseph Fay Secy,

Joseph Smith Esq. —

(There is no other name put down in the Journal, & Stevens)

Bennington 7th February 1778

State of Vermont.

Sir — You are hereby commanded to appoint
one Lieutenant, and see him furnished with fifteen
men to join Warner or the commander that may hereafter
be appointed to command the party to guard the frontier
settlements on Lake Champlain

By order of Council

Jonas Fay, Vice President of Council

To Capt. James Mead —

In Council Bennington 7 Feb. 1778

Gentlemen

This Council desire you to settle your
account with them immediately, relative to your
transactions in the capacity of commissioners of
sequestration as the matters must be forthwith
settled

I am Gentlemen your Humble Servant

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, Secy,

Capt. Joseph Smith

Capt. Elishah Caght —

Brimington 12th Feb. 1778

State of 3

Vermont 3 In Council date above

Sir I understand you have given Isaac an encouragement of living in your house, or his family, which is not agreeable to this Council. Capt. Putnam wants the same privilege for his family, if you can oblige him with the same privilege, it may be as much for your benefit, and perhaps give better satisfaction to your neighbours

By order of Council.

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

To James Breakenridge

State of 3

Vermont 3 In Council of Safety Brimington 9th Feb. 1778

Sir

Yours of yesterday's date is now before this Council they have duly deliberated on your several requests, contained therein, and in consequence, have Resolved to furnish three hundred men out of this State, exclusive of officers, who it is expected will engage as volunteers to serve in the Northern intended expedition, who are to continue in service until the last day of April next, unless sooner discharged by the commanding officer of said expedition. It is expected they will be entitled to such encouragement as is allowed the volunteers of other States, and as it is ~~probable~~ improbable that men are provided with necessaries, to march as soon as the first day of March next. This Council thinks it will be necessary that provisions be made out of the public store for such as may be unprovided with shoes and stockings & Blankets, It is proposed to raise the men out of the town who served the last campaign from this State, the pay for

such service (for which Col.^o Herrick has the General's warrants) would greatly facilitate the immediate collection of the men. Every exertion in the power of this Council will be used to complete the troops sooner than mentioned above, which, if effected seasonable notice will be given to the commanding officer. Twenty-five sleighs will be provided for the use of the expedition, and every assistance in the power of this Council offered the Quarter master in collecting hay, provender, and transporting flour &c.

I am Sir your most obedient humble

Servant, by order of Council

Thos. Chittenden Prest

Col.^o Hay —

Bennington 9th. Feb. 1778

State of 3
Vermont 3

In Council date above

Sir—

Your letter forwarded by Col.^o Hay dated Albany 7th. instant came to hand last evening in which I am informed of an expedition proposed to the northward, you also requested of this State to engage all the volunteers possible to join the army on this expedition. I called together the Council and Committee of this town, and have laid your letter before them, in consequence of which they have Resolved to raise three hundred men exclusive of officers, to be ready to march with all possible expedition, to wait orders from the commander in chief, to remain in service until the last day of April next, unless sooner discharged, provided a proper

encouragement can be had from the Hon^{le} Continental Congress, to carry the above resolves into ~~effect~~ execution. You will please to inform me the particular encouragement which may be depended on from Congress, for raising men for the above mentioned expedition as soon as possible, during which time you may be assured nothing in the power of this Council will be wanting to have the men in readiness. Col. Hay will be able to inform the particular circumstances and disadvantages, the inhabitants of this State are under from being drove from their professions by the enemy, as also the answers made by Council to Col. Hay's several requests to them relative to the before mentioned expedition.

I am, Sir, by order of Council
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
Thomas Chittenden

Col: Moses Faxon —

State of }
Vermont } In Council of Safety Bennington 6th Feb. 1778
To the inhabitants of the State of Vermont.
Gentlemen

The united & joint Representatives of this State in their General Convention held at Windsor and on several times afterwards by adjournment, did on the 2^d day of July last, compare and agree unanimously on a Constitution for the future Government and mutual advantage of its inhabitants. It was proposed by the joint agreement of the said representatives that such Constitution should be printed so as to have had them circulated among the inhabitants seasonably.

to have had the General Election of Representatives to compose the General Assembly in December last. (wholly agreement) was to have met at Brimington within this State, in the month of January last, but finding by repeated experiences that the troubles of the war and encroachments of the enemy, would of necessity render it impossible. This Council did think fit to ^{again} call on the members of the General Convention, to meet, who accordingly met at Windsor on the twenty-fourth of December last, and did unanimously ~~postpone~~ ^{postpone} the day of election until the first Tuesday of March next, and the setting of the Assembly to be at Windsor on the 2^d Thursday of March next. The Constitution is now printed and will be distributed among the inhabitants of the several towns in this State, so early that they may be procured before the day of election, which this Council hope will sufficiently recommend the most safe and just method of choosing of Representatives to compose the General Assembly - Nothing but a real Deal for the future will bring of the inhabitants of the United States of America in general, and this, in particular, could have induced the Council to have undertaken the arduous task of sitting so many months successively, to provide for the safety of its inhabitants. They therefore flatter themselves that their services will meet the approbation of employers. The Council are fully of opinion, that nothing but a firm attachment and joint connection of the inhabitants of this State frustrate or prevent their being what they so reasonably wish to be. I am, Gentlemen & order of Council
Your most obedient humble servant. Thomas Chittenden

State of ³
Vermont: In Council of Safety Bennington 10 Feb. 1778
Sire

On application of Col. Moses Hazen commander in chief of the Continental troops at Albany, this Council have this day resolved to raise three hundred volunteers within this State under the command of Samuel Herrick Lt. Col. Commandant to continue in service of the true and independent States of America until the last day of April next unless sooner discharged.

To each able bodied effective volunteer thus engaged in this glorious cause for the defence of his life and liberty, you shall be enabled by this Council to give as an encouragement, a bounty of ten dollars, on, or before the time you shall receive orders from this Council to march them from their respective homes, they will also be entitled to such other encouragements, by wages, plunder &c. as is allowed the volunteers of other free and independent States of America.

This expedition is set on foot by the Honorable Continental Congress, and should any who nobly engage in this glorious enterprise be so unfortunate as not to have it in their power to furnish themselves seasonably, with the necessary articles of shoes, stockings, and blankets, there is encouragement that they may be supplied out of the continental store by applying there, as it is expected that a respectable body of continental troops will be employed in conjunction with the volunteers from this and the neighbouring, sufficient to penetrate into Canada, and thereby frustrate any designs the enemy may have in a future campaign.

of approaching this country and ^{as} this state is particularly exposed by its contiguous situation to them to be first ravaged unless some such effectual means shall prove successful to prevent their incursions. Therefore this Council flatter themselves, that no farther argument be used to induce any well wisher to the freedom and Liberty of himself and injured country vigorously to exert every nerve on this most important occasion.

I am Sir, by order of Council your
Most Obedient Humble Servant
Thomas Chittenden President

Copies of the foregoing letter sent to the several
Captains on the East side of the Green Mountains
Attest. Joseph Fay. Secy.

State of ^{Ver}mont } In Council of Safety Brimington 10th Feb. 1778
Sir

This Council (on application of Col^o Faxon commander in Chief of the Continental troops at Albany) Resolved to raise three hundred volunteers within this State to assist to carry into execution, a plan proposed by The Hon. Continental Congress for penetrating into the Province of Quebec. Each volunteer within this State, who may engage in this enterprise is entitled to receive ten dollars bounty, as an encouragement before he marches, besides the encouragement by wages, plunder &c as allowed the volunteers from the other free and independent ~~the~~ states of America. They have also resolved to give Col^o Herrick, yourself with the other officers who served,

under you as rangers the last campaign the officers of
recruiting the said three hundred men and commanding
them in said expedition until the last day of April
next, unless sooner discharged. Capt. Herrick is not
at home at present, but will be applied too on his
return. Each recruiting officer will be allowed
one dollar for each volunteer. Warrants are sent to
the captains on the east side of the Mountains with
instructions for recruiting, it is hoped the men will
be ready to march by the first of next month. you
will please to let the Council know immediately whether
you accept

I am Sir your most obedient servant

By order of Council

Joseph Jay, Secy

Major Benj^m Wait

Barnington 15 Feb. 1778

Dear Sir

This Council is informed your honor is about
to undertake the tedious journey from Albany to
your family. I am directed to inform you they are
extremely happy to hear your honor has a favorable
prospect of recovering your health after so long and
tedious a confinement and that your broken limb
is so likely to be in perfect shape as well as sound, for
which, it is sincerely hoped your future service may be
found useful to the public, and must with its former
satisfaction, which was universal by every friend and
well wisher to the United States of America. Your

have the good wishes of ^{the inhabitants of} this country for your safe arrival home to your family, in expectation that in due time you will be enabled to return to this part of the continent. commander in chief, under whose wise directions they will think themselves in perfect security. May the blessings of Heaven rest on you and kind Providence guard you safe through the long and tedious road to your family, and may you live long a blessing to them and your country. I am Dear Sir, with the Councils best compliments to your honor, your honor's most obedient very

Humble Servant of order of council
Tho: Chittenden Pres.

The Hon^{ble} Major Genl. B. Lincoln —

In Council Burlington 17 Feb. 1778

Sir.

Whereas complaint ~~has~~ is made to this Council by Dragoon John Burnap. that ~~prose~~ ^{instead} ~~instead~~ ^{of} Pitoford did in December last take from him about twelve hundred weight of Iron, which is detained from him. he therefore desires of this Council that they may direct him in what way he may obtain his property again

Therefore this Council recommend to you to call together the several committees in Rutland and the neighbouring towns to the number of five to judge and determine the case depending, the above parties, according to justice and equity

By order of Council, Tho: Chittenden
Pres.
To Capt Joseph Burnap —

Bennington 15 Feb. 1778

Sir

Enclosed you have a copy of the report of the Committee of Safety at Addison, by which you will see the little boat sent down the Lake by order of Brigadier General Starke is taken prisoner by the enemy. Sir I am directed to inform you that this Council is of opinion that it is of the utmost importance that a guard be sent to take possession of some proper position on Lake Champlain for the purpose of securing the hay & forage provided there for the use of the Army which is in the power of the enemy. Should it be destroyed it might prove very detrimental to the northern expedition. Nothing material has transpired except the above. Since Capt. Hay left this place every exertion possible in the power of this Council is making to forward the Northern Expedition. Would be glad to hear from you as soon as possible.

I am, Sir, by order of Council,

Your obedient humble servant

Thomas Chittenden R

Capt. Hay, an officer commanding at Albany.

Bennington 17th Feb. 1778

State of
Vermont

In Council of Safety date above.

Dear Sir,

I am directed by Council to inform you that the case of ranging officers who served in the last campaign, under the command of Capt. Samuel Herrick, have excepted the encouragement offered

by Council for recruiting three hundred volunteers within this State, in an expedition intended to be made into Canada immediately, which is a bounty of 25 dollars to each such volunteer, besides the encouragement by wages plunder &c. as allowed by the Hon^{ble} the Continental Congress to the volunteers of the free and independent States of America, who are to act in conjunction with a respectable body of Continental troops, ordered by Congress for the said expedition. The men are to continue in service until the last day of ^{April} ~~May~~ next, unless sooner discharged. You will please apply to the officers the East side of the mountains, who served in your ^{last} campaign and in case any Captain shall decline, you are to appoint some Gentleman of Honor and courage, who did not serve in your case, that the rank of the volunteers may be kept entire, as no officers of the line is to rank otherwise than last campaign, and Capt. Bidley will ^{have} a different appointment.

The Council most earnestly desire you to exert yourself to the utmost of your abilities to raise the troops on this important occasion, as it is reasonably expected the companies on this side the mountain will be filled immediately.

As a warrant has been sent Ira Allen Esq. to Joseph Boyden to serve as Captain in Col. Herrick's regiment in lieu of Capt. Goodenough, (who declined) and it may happen that he may accept, and be on the business of raising his company, it will be necessary that you have regard to his appointment, in your proceedings. It is expected the officers will be commissioned when then

companies are filled agreeable to the Hon.^{ce} Genl. Stark's appointments.

This Council send you by Ebenezer Green (who will deliver this letter) five hundred and twenty dollars, which you are to divide equally between the three captains on the east side of the mountain for the purpose of recruiting their companies

I am, &c. for order

Thomas Chittenden R.

Major Wait —————

In Council of Safety at Bennington 1778

Journals of Council at Bennington.

January 3. 1778

State of Vermont } In Council of Safety Bennington 3 Jan'y 1778
Bennet Bardsley is permitted to pass from
this to his home in Branhaster and return to ~~this~~
Council the 8th instant

By order of Council. Joseph Fay, secy
To all concerned—

Resolved to appoint Moses
Robinson of Rupert a commissioner of sequestration
of that town, his commission and instructions sent
to him for that purpose.

By order of Council
Joseph Fay, secy

Resolved that Capt John Fapitt jr be
and he is hereby appointed a commissioner of sequestration
for the town of Arlington. Commission
& instructions delivered.

By order of Council, Joseph Fay, secy.
In Council of Safety Bennington 6th Jan. 1778
Resolved that it be recommended to the
Committee of Safety convened in convention

For the towns of Shaftsbury, Bennington & Lamoine, to
strictly examine into the particular circumstances of the
estates of all such persons as they have had under im-
mediate examination & are deemed to be enemies
to this and the United States of America, and as soon
as may be transmitted to this Council a copy of their
opinion of all or any part of estates that are justly
forfeited to this State

State of

Vermont In Council of Safety 9th Jan. 1778

This may certify to all whom it may concern that
Samuel Bardsley, was tried before this Council on the
24 day of September last for enemical conduct, and that
he did satisfy the judgement of Council, upon which
he was discharged.

And whereas the convention of Com-
mittees have since taken him under their examina-
tion, & adjudged him to be enemical to the liberties
of America, and referred him to this Council to dispose
of him as they think proper. They finding no crimes
against him, (transacted since his trial aforesaid)
do hereby discharge him, and he is permitted to go to
his home and there remain unmolested, under the
inspection of the Council, his behaving as becometh a
friend to this and the United States of America

By order of Council

Jonathan Vice President
of Council

attest Joseph Fay Secy.

9th

To Lt. Peter Roberts

You are hereby required to deliver
Bennet Barasley, his horse and other effects, which you
lately, as his estate, by virtue of ^{your} Commission of sequestration
for the use of this State

By order of Council, Joseph Fay Secy

State of {

Vermont {

In Council of Safety Burlington 12th Jan. 1778

This Council having taken into consideration the
application of the Hon^{ble} General John Stark, requesting
ten effective men to be immediately employed in
beating and breaching the snow in the road lead-
ing from this place thro' the top of the Green
Mountains to Capt. William Williams in Draper
Glas Williamstown within this State, do hereby
grant the said request, and order that Capt.
Samuel Robinson, overseer of the Tories to provide
such numbers, properly officered, and equipt
with provisions and other requisites necessary
for such service, who are to be in readiness to
march immediately

By order of Council Joseph Fay Secy

Attest Joseph Fay, Secy -

January 12 1778

To Capt. Samuel Robinson Overseer of Tories,

You are required to detach ten effective
men under your command, with proper officers to
take the charge and march, in the direct file from
this place through the Green Mountains to Capt.
William Williams, dwelling house in Draper

alias Williamstown within this State, who are to march and tread the snow in said road a suitable width for a sleigh or sleighs with a span of horses on each sleigh, and order them to return marching in the same manner to this place with all convenient speed.

By order of Council Jonas Fay V.P.
Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

N.B. you are to order 3 days provisions to each of such men, and the same to be cooked this day, and to march ~~tomorrow~~ at 6 o'clock to morrow morning

Bennington Jan 13th 1778

Jonas Fay V. Pres

The petition of John Payne, John Ordway, Comfort Sever, and their associates, being presented, to this Council, have taken the same under their consideration. Voted that said petition remain in this office on file and at the sitting of the of the General Assembly of this State, to be laid before them, being the first petition made for the grant of the land therein mentioned

By order of Council Thos Chittenden Pres.
Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

— 13 —

To Israel Campfield at Arlington, you are hereby ordered to deliver to the bearer, Mr. Daniel Sherman, ten sides of Beasts leather and two sides of horse hide

By order of Council
Thos Chittenden Pres.

Benjamin Eastman of Arlington is ~~permitted~~
to remain at home until further orders from this Council
he behaving as becometh

By order of Council. Thos Chittenden Pres.

Resolved that it is the opinion of this Council that
Abram Walhuts estate is, and it is hereby declared to be forfeited
to this State

By order of Council Thos Chittenden Pres.

Attest Joseph Fay, Secy -

Brimington 13th January 1778

State of Vermont. In Council date above.

To Mr. Peter Hawley. Sir -

Please to deliver to the
bearer, James Lewis, Sergeant Major, one and a half
bushels Wheat

By order of Council Thos Chittenden Pres.

14

This Council having this day examined the complaint
and evidence against Mr. Andrew Barton, relative to
enemical conduct against the United States of America:
do hereby acquit him from such complaints, and do also
permit him to pass and repass, on lawful business
unmolested

By order of Council Joseph Fay, Secy

To whom it may concern -

14

Resolved, that it is the opinion of this Council, that
Dracon Azariah Rood is guilty of enemical conduct against
the United States of America. therefore voted that he pay a

fine of thirty pounds & money for the use of this State
and to stand committed until this judgement be
complied with. further Resolved that said Rood
is not permitted to go further to the northward than
north line of Rutland within this State, on penalty of forfeiting
and paying a fine for the use of the same

By order of Council Tho. Chittenden Pres.
Attest Joseph Fay, Secy.

In Council Bennington 14th January 1778

This Council having taken under consideration
their examination the complaint of Capt. Samuel
Robinson, against Deacon Azariah Rood for defrauding
and endeavouring to cheat him. the said Robinson, out
of seventy-seven dollars billitting money, &c. do hereby
Resolve that the said Rood pay Capt. Robinson seventy
seven dollars, being his demand for billet money
and pay cost, and to stand committed until this
judgement be complied with

By order of Council

Tho. Chittenden Pres.

Attest, Joseph Fay, Secy.

The above judgement satisfied & paid
Jos. Fay, Secy

State of

Vermont } In Council Bennington 14th January 1778

Whereas, many of the inhabitants of this State were
driven from their Possessions the last year by the enemy
by which means they have been prohibited the benefit
of securing their corn, grain, &c. and from making the

necessary preparations for a future crop by which means there appears to be great danger of such inhabitants and others suffering for want thereof.

And whereas, it has been represented to this council that considerable quantities have been, and still are, daily transported out of this State; to prevent which such inconvenience in future, this Council have taken the same under their consideration, and have thought fit, and do hereby

Resolve, that no wheat, rye, indian corn, flour, or meal be transported out of this State, or sold to any person, not residing within the same, except continental stores, after the date of this resolve, except they have a permit from this Council, or General Jacob Bayley, Col. Peter Bleeth, Col. Joseph Marsh, or Col. John Barret, or any two of them. Any person or persons violating this resolve, shall on conviction thereof, before five or more committee men of the town or towns adjacent to where such grain, flour or meal is carried from, (who are hereby authorised to hear, judge and determine the same,) shall forfeit such load or quantity of grain, flour, or meal and three fold the value thereof in money, one half to be given to any person or persons prosecuting to effect, the other half to be converted to the use of this State. And this Council do hereby recommend it to the several committees within this State, to see this resolve duly observed; any one of whom is hereby authorised to seize, or, on complaint and application to issue his warrant, to seize and detain, any such article before prohibited, and cause such person or persons to be examined, and tried as aforesaid. This resolve to continue in force until the first day of June next unless otherwise

determined by General Assembly of this State

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden R

Attest Joseph Fay Secy. —

In Council of Safety Burlington 15th Jan. 1778

This may certify to whom it may concern that Deacon
Czariah Rood having passed examination before this
Council and voluntarily taken the oath of fidelity to the
United States of America, has liberty to pass from this to
Putland, and reap on his lawful business any where
to the southward of this State, he behaving as becometh
a friend to this and the other States of America

By order of Council

Joseph Fay. Secy.

To all concerned —

Resolved, That Messrs. John Wood and
Benjamin Fay be, and hereby are, appointed assistants to
Capt. Samuel Robinson as overseers of tories.

By order of Council

Thos. Chittenden R

Attest Joseph Fay. Secy. —

16th January 1778

To Reuben Sealey, and the rest of the heirs of Ephriam
Sealey, late of Danby, deceased.

You are hereby notified to appear
before this Council on Thursday the 22^d instant, to
shew cause, (if any you have) why the real estate of
Ephriam Sealey aforesaid shall not be confiscated to this State.

Attest Joseph Fay Secy. —

By order of Council. Thos. Chittenden, Pres

In Council Bennington 24 January 1778

Permission is hereby given to the bearer hereof Mr. David Tafford to transport two thousand weight of flour out of this State, agreeable to a former contract made previous to the resolve of Council. (Certified on oath) laying an embargo on wheat, &c

By order of Council
Thomas Pittender

To whom it may concern

24

Resolved, that Captain Averis be directed to employ Abner Woolcott in the service of the Continent while necessary, unless otherwise ordered by this Council and that Capt. Averis make return of said Woolcott and his doings, to this Council, by order thereof

Joseph Robinson P.P. Tem.

24

Permission is hereby given to Abner Woolcott to pass from this place to Keeneborough to join Capt. Averis

By order of Council. Joseph Robinson P.P. Tem.

24

Resolved that this Council will give a bounty of ten dollars for the encouragement of raising three hundred men under the command of Lt. Col. Herriek, to each non-commissioned officer or soldier who shall enlist for a certain expedition to ———, now on foot —

In Council Bennington 28th Jan, 1778
This day passed an order, and directed the same to Capt. Samuel Robinson overseer of Tories, or either of his

assistants to take under their direction, and immediately
employ Thomas Droyton, and enter him in the first class
agreeable to the directions of the Committee of Clarendon

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

To Capt. Samuel Johnson or either of his assistants
overseers -

²⁹
The bearer Lt. White is permitted to carry wheat out
of this State that is due to him on a certain subscription
for clearing a road. to the amount of 20 bushels.

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

To whom it may concern -

³⁰
This day Major Jeremiah Clark is permitted to transport
nine bushels wheat out of this State

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

To whom it may concern -

Pennington 17th January 1778

Whereas the Council must take a considerable part of
their time from this date to prepare matters to be
laid before the General Assembly, and whereas there
has been for some time past, and probably will in
future, many things be laid before this Council that
are of a private nature, which intercepts and hinders
them from pursuing the business they were principally
appointed for by the Convention of this State - Therefore

Resolved, that from this date until the 22 of this inst.
January, and from the 5 of Feb. until the 12 day thereof
this Council will attend on business of a private nature
and at no other time until the sitting of the
Assembly.

By order of Council

Thos Pittenden Pres.

The above advertisement to be made public—

17

To Mr Eli Roberts,

You are hereby fully authorized and
empowered to take into your custody all the moveable
effects of David Remington and Abner Woolcott,
except what humanity requires for the support of
said Woolcott's family, ~~and~~ also to seize and lease
out to some proper person the real Estate of the aforesaid
persons, not exceeding one year from next April.
The moveable estate you will sell at public
vendue, or otherwise as you shall think best.
You will, out of the avails of the moveable estate
of Abner Woolcott, supply his family with provisions until
further orders. the overplus of money, after your costs
(if any) you will return to the Treasurer of this State.
You will keep a just and true account of all you
sell, and the price of what you expend for the use of
the family, - any other commissioners authority not
withstanding, in the State of Vermont.

By order of Council

Thos Pittenden Pres.

State of }
Vermont } In Council 19th January 1778

Whereas sundry inconveniencies have arose by reason of the Commissioners of Sequestration interfering one with the other; Therefore

Resolved That no Commissioner of Sequestration for the future be allowed to transact business for this State in any town where there is a Commissioner appointed; and where any Commissioner has transacted business before this date in any town where there is a Commissioner now appointed, they are directed to transfer their business, done in said town over to said Commissioner.

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden Pres

Attest Joseph Fay Secy

Bennington 20 January 1778

This may certify to whom it may concern that Thomas Tuttle having passed examination before this Council, that he appears to be a friend to the United States of America

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden Pres

Attest Joseph Fay Secy

-20-

Permission is hereby granted to the bearer Alexander Gaudin to transport 20 bushels Wheat and fifteen of indian corn out of this State agreeable to a former contract, (certified on oath) made previous to the resolve of Council, laying an embargo on wheat &c -

By order of Council Thos Chittenden

This Council having taken into consideration the complaint of Witherel Witterum against William Wheeler and having heard the several evidences relative to the case, are of opinion, that William Wheeler pay Witherel Witterum two pounds sixteen shillings Lawful Money, which is the demand of the execution against Witterum for cost &c. and pay the cost of suit amounting to £2:16:0 L. Money

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden Pres

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

In Council Bennington 22 Jan. 1778
To Mr. Bottom, of Shaftsbury.

You will please to deliver Christopher Roberts three sheep which you have in your custody, supposed to belong be the property of this State, his paying you reasonable charges for their keeping &c.

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres

Benjamin Eastman is permitted to return from this to Arlington, and there remain until further orders.

By order of Council Thos. Chittenden Pres

-22-

Permission is hereby given to the bearer Grad Terrell to transport five hundred weight of flour out of this State, agreeable to a former contract. (Certified on oath)

made previous to the resolve of Council laying an embargo on wheat &c.

By order of Council
Thos Chittenden Pres.

To all concerned—

In Council Bennington 23^d January 1778

Whereas, repeted application has been, and are like to be made to this Council by the Tories now in this place, destined to hard labour, for permits to go to their homes by which means, by which means this Council is much obstructed on their more immediate and necessary business to such inconveniences in future,

Resolved that Capt Samuel Robinson and his assistants be hereby authorised to permit the several Tories of the first class to go home for a necessary limited time (at the discretion of the said Robinson and his assistants) on extraordinary occasions, as in case of sickness and distress of their families

By order of Council
Thos Chittenden Pres.

attest Joseph Fay Secy.

The above sent to Capt. Samuel Robinson

— 23 —

This Council are of opinion that John McNeil has been under confinement 15 days contrary to the true intent of the Committee before whom he had his trial and as he appears to be out of health you have therefore liberty to give him a pass to go home and remain there unmolested 15 days. By order of Council
Capt Samuel Robinson Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Bennington 24 January 1778

State of
Vermont } In Council

Whereas it has been represented to this Council, that
divers persons, (to the great disadvantage of this State) have
bought, and sold to the inhabitants in small quantities
and at exorbitant prices, (and continued to do) certain
vicious liquors, whereby drunkenness, idleness, quarrels &c.
is promoted among us, which evil to prevent in future
have thought fit, and do hereby resolve that the Committee
of Safety, selectmen, and constables of each town within
this State, shall meet together at some convenient
place within each ~~town~~ respective town on the second
day of March next, and nominate by their major
vote, a sufficient number of suitable persons, to keep
houses of public entertainment, for travellers for the
year ensuing, or until otherwise ordered by the General
Assembly of this State, and return their names to this
Council, or to any two of the members thereof, who are
hereby fully authorised and empowered to grant licenses
for that purpose, taking one dollar or six Shillings for the
same. Further:

Resolved that if any person or persons within
this State, not licensed as above shall after the 10 day
of March next presume, directly or indirectly, to sell any
kind of spirituous liquors, in any less quantity than one
quart, nor any quantity to be drunk in, or about his
her, or their house or houses, for any such offence, being
thereof duly convicted before three of the Committee-
men of the town where such offence is committed,
(who are hereby fully authorised and empowered to
hear and determine the same) shall forfeit and pay

The sum of six pounds Lawful Money. The one half
to be applied for the use of the town where such offence
is committed, and the other half to be given to the
person complaining & prosecuting to effect
By order of Council
Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Attest Joseph Fay, Secy.

January 30th 1778
To Capt. Ethanah Cook—

You are hereby directed to let
the heirs of John Curtis improve the farm formerly
belonging to him, during the life of said Curtis'
wife, then giving sufficient bonds to maintain
the said John Curtis' wife during her life.

By order of Council
Thomas Chittenden Pres.

To Capt. Ethanah Cook—

Barnington 30th January 1778

Mrs Munro is hereby permitted to remain in possession
of the house and farm formerly the possession of her husband
(John Munro Esq.) unmolested until further order from
this or some future Council or General Assembly of this
State

By order of Council
Thomas Chittenden Pres.

To whom it may concern—

29 January

Whereas reports to the prejudice of the Rangers and others have circulated among the people and have also been made to this Council, that great injustice has been done to the inhabitants by them, they having plundered them contrary to express orders, and designs of this Council:

Whereas, some of the officers and rangers, have moved that a trial be indulged them, that thereby, the characters may be reestablished, and blame fall only on the guilty (if any there be) Therefore:

Resolved that all persons be and they are hereby notified to bring information or evidence to this Council of the effects plundered or taken from them, and by whom, or what party, attested on oath before the Chairman of any Committee of Safety the 25 day of February next, and all persons neglecting to exhibit their complaint on the above said day, shall be forever foreclosed bringing in such complaints and reports to the prejudice of any officer or Soldier, or any other persons relating to the shall not be noticed but treated as scandalous libels. Provided always that nothing in this resolve be constructed, that any complaint against any person that shall be found out after the 25th day of Feb'y. next be excluded

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden Pres.

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

State of 3
Vermont }

In Council Bennington 31 January 1778

Sir - You are hereby directed to dispose of the grain belonging to this State to such of the inhabitants as have been drove from their farms &c. by the enemy. (as they may apply to you) at the common price, which is for wheat 3 dollars per bushel. You will reserve all spring grain for seed.

I am, Sir, by order &c.

Joseph Fay, Secy.
Michael Dunning Esq. Council -

Feb. 2.

Lt. William Hutchins is permitted to transport 4 bushels wheat out of this State

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, Secy.

To all concerned

In Council Bennington 2 Feb. 1778

Whereas Andrew Hawley of Arlington has been had before this Council for enenical conduct towards the United States of America, and has made satisfaction for such public offence. Nevertheless it is not meant to excuse him from making restitution for any injury done any private person. but it ought to be made to appear that such injury be done by ^{this} own person, or otherwise by his own actual procurement

I am Gentlemen your most Obedt. Hum. Servt.

By order

Joseph Fay, Secy.
to the Gentlemen sitting on arbitration
on a dispute between Mr. Charles Cunningham Hawley

In Council 3 February 1778

Sir You are hereby directed to lease that part of the farm formerly improved by Capt Hard of Abington (now claimed by his wife) to Jacob Galusha, except 5 acres of plow land and 5 of which Mr Butterfield is to have. since Galusha entering into bonds for the support and maintenance of Capt Hard's family during the time he improves said farm.

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden Pres.

To Capt. John Tappett Jr. Sec. —

In Council Brimington 3 February 1778

This Council do hereby permit the bearer El Nathan Murain to inventory his brother's estate (late dead) and settle the same keeping a regular account to exhibit to this Council whenever demanded.

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden Pres.

Attest Joseph Fay secy. —

In Council 4 February 1778

Orders to the several Colonels of Militia as follows, by:

Sir

You are hereby required to return to this Council on or before Thursday the 12th day of March next, the number of male inhabitants included within the limits of your Regiments from the age of sixteen to sixty years of age, of what denomination soever (ministers of the Gospel excepted) as also the names of the commissioned officers of each company.

By order of Council. Thos Chittenden Pres.

(over on next page)

Col. Moses Robinson. Col. Timothy Brownson. Col.
James Mead. Col. Joseph Marsh. Col. Peter O'Leary
Col. William Williams

Attest Joseph Fay, secy.

In Council Bennington 4th February 1778
The bearer Jesse Wilden having this day taken the oath
of allegiance to the United States of America is permitted
to pass to his home at St Albans within this State and
there to remain unmolested until further orders from
this Council

By order of Council

Joseph Fay Secy.

To whom it may concern —

In Council ^{Bennington} 6 February 1778

Sir— You will examine into the ~~proof~~ of Capt. Fitch's
giving the refusal of the house (formerly the property of
Benjamin Holt) to Mr. Ines, and if you find to your satis-
faction he had the refusal previous to your appointment
you will make the engagement good. You will give
him a reasonable time to procure his evidence

By order of Council Jas Fay, Secy.

Capt. John Fasset ^{C. Regus.} —

Sir, you hereby required to liberate John Mattison, who
is in the 3d Clap. under your command until further orders
from this Council

By order of Council

Joseph Fay, Secy.

Capt. Robinson overseer of tories

Bennington 6 February 1778

Resolved, that three men be appointed as a committee
to repair to Moreton, wherein applied to by Barnabus
Bumum. and there to hear and determine the case of
any and every person who shall be brought before them
for anemical conduct towards the United States, & that
Capt. Zebulon Mead, Mr. Joseph Smith, & Mr. Joseph Jack-
son be the said committee, by order of Council
Thomas Chittenden Pres

State of $\frac{3}{3}$
Vermont $\frac{3}{3}$ In Council of Safety Bennington 6th Feby. 1778
Sir

You are hereby directed with the assistance
of the other Gentlemen of the Committee of Safety
for this town, to take under your consideration the
case depending between Samuel Robinson on one
of tories, in behalf of David Goff's wife & John Potter and
to award judgment thereon according to justice
and equity

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres

El Nathan Hubble Esq^r Chairman of Committee
of Safety in Bennington —

In Council, Bennington 6 Feb 1778

Resolved that if either of the persons appointed as a committee
to go to Moretown refuse to serve that the other two
of them appoint another in his stead

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres

In Council Brimington 10th February 1778

This Council having taken under their consideration the Complaint made to this Council by Capt Zadock Akeris in behalf of the United States against John Gail for enenical conduct against the United States of America, having examined the evidence & every attending circumstance relative thereto, and after seriously deliberating thereon, do judge and order that the said John Gail pay thirty pounds Lawful Money as a fine for the use of this State, and pay all reasonable charges of suit and stand committed until this judgement be complied with; Cost Taxed at £16, 8. 0-

By order of Council
Thos. Chittenden, Pres^t

Attest, Joseph Fay Secy.

Feb^y, 11th Rec the cost of the above suit £16, 8. 0 &

£21, 14. 0 on the above judgement for me Joseph Fay, Secy.

£8, 6. 0 for me Thos. Chittenden Pres^t

In Council Brimington 10th February 1778

This Council having taken into consideration the particular circumstances relative to the Estate of Ephriam Sealey late of Danby Dec^d, who was confined for enenical conduct against the United States of America, after examining the particular circumstances relative thereto, do judge and order that the said Estate be not confiscated, the heirs of the said Sealey dispensing with what ~~the~~ the estate met with before his death

By order of Council

Thommas Chittenden

Attest, Joseph Fay Secy;

In Council 18 February 1770

The bearer John Gail is permitted to pass to his home in Addison having voluntarily taken the oath of fidelity to the United States of America.

By order of Council.

Joseph Fay, Secy.

To whom it may concern —

In Council Brimington 10 Feby. 1770

Sir — Inclosed you have a Warrant to engage fifty able bodied, effective men to serve in an expedition to Canada. together with two warrants for two Lieutenants and blanks left for their names. You are hereby directed to give your former Lieutenants the offer of them. should any thing prevent their serving in this campaign you will appoint others & enter their names in the blanks. you will take particular care to appoint men of honor & veracity, and such as will be most likely to raise their quota of men. You will do all in your power to have your company raised with all possible expedition, not to exceed the first day of March next.

Yours humble Servt.

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

Capt. Eleazer Wood

(10th)

This Council having taken under their consideration the request made by Capt. Peleg Sunderland relative to the guns found at Houghlatton, & Resolves that the case be ~~submitted~~ referred to the General Assembly at their next term in March next. By order of Council
Attest Joseph Fay Secy. — Thomas Chittenden Pres.

In Council Brimington 17 February 1778

Whereas application has been made to this Council by Col^l Moses Hazen, commanding the Continental Troop at Albany in the Northern Department, to raise as many volunteers as possible in the power of this State, to serve on an expedition to Canada, in consequence of which this Council have this day resolved to raise three hundred volunteers within this State, to be in a regiment commanded by Samuel Herrick Esq^r Lt. Colonel Commandant, to continue in service till the last day of April next. Further, Resolved that Major Benjamin Wait, be, and he is hereby appointed Major to said regiment & that Captains Ebenezer Allen, Jafe Sawyer, Parmelee Allen, Ebenezer Wood, — Boyden, & Abner Seely, be and they are hereby appointed to be Captains in Col Samuel Herricks regiment, & the subalterns that served under the before mentioned Captains in the last campaign have the offer of serving again, and should any of them not serve, the Captains are hereby directed to appoint such others as will be most likely to recruit their quotas of men, particular care is to be taken to appoint men of honor and veracity. Further Resolved, that a premium of one dollar be granted by this Council, to the officers for every able bodied & effective man they shall enlist for the before mentioned expedition, and that a bounty of 10 Dollars be given to each non-commissioned officer and soldier that shall so engage, to be paid them before they march.

By order of Council
Thomas Chittenden
President

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

(February 16th)

John Potter is permitted to transport twenty bushels of wheat out of this State.

By order of Council Joseph Fay Secy.
To all concerned—

18th February

Resolved, that Major Heber Allen be & he is hereby appointed a commissioner of Sequestration for the towns of Paultney & Wells, in this State, & a warrant sent him for that purpose.

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden Pres^t

Attest, Joseph Fay, Secy.

(19)

Stephen Herrick is permitted to transport about ten bushels of wheat out of this State to Sandborough.

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden Pres^t

To whom it may concern—

In Council Bennington 21st Feby. 1778

Resolved, that Mr. Nathan Clark, & Mr. Timothy Brownson be and they are hereby appointed a committee to settle with Mr. W^m Fitch, Commissioner of Sequestration.

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden Pres^t

(23^d)

Delivered Mr. Gideon Olin a Commission of Sequestration.

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden Pres^t

Attested by Joseph Fay, Secy. —

(25 February)

Sir - Whereas, This Council is informed that the intended expedition to Canada, is dropped, or like to fall through, You are hereby requested to desist raising any more soldiers for the above purpose on the encouragement of a bounty of ten dollars heretofore granted by Council until further orders

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden

To Capt. Isaac Clark & Lt. Bradley —

In Council Bennington 26th February 1778

Comes Capt. Elijah Russell and informs the Council of the State of Vermont that he, the said Russell is deprived of a considerable part of his live stock and other goods, &c. &c.

These are therefore to empower him to take such of the above named articles, and convert the same to his own use, that he shall prove to be his property before any committee or committees of safety within this State found within the same

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Pres.

The above order written and entered for Nathan Clark Secy, P.S.
Attest. Joseph Fay Secy —

In Council March 1778

The bearer Capt. Isaac Clark is permitted to transport or convey sundry families out of this State to the Enemy lines, vizt. Samuel Adams, Isaac Bises, Caleb Henderson and Philo Hoards families

By order of Council Thos Chittenden

Mrs. Adams is permitted to carry with her viz: two feather
beds, & bedding suitable therefor, six pewter plates, two
platters, two leasons, one quart pot & one tea kettle, wearing
apparel for herself & children, one frying pan & one candle
stick, & knives and forks —

Mrs. Brisco is permitted to carry with
her, two feather beds and bedding for the same, four pewter
plates, two platters, two leasons, one qt. pot, one tea kettle,
one small brass kettle, one brass skillet, the bedding to
consist of three coverlids, one bed quilt, four blankets
and eight sheets, one chest, her wearing apparel and
her childrens, & knives and forks

By order

Thos Chittenden President

In Council March 5th 1778.

Capt. Rufus Dodge is permitted to trans-
port six hundred weight of flour to
which he says (on oath) he purchased at St. Louis

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden Pres

To whom it may concern —

Whereas application has been made to this Council
by the frontier inhabitants of this State near Lake Champlain
and Otter Creek, requesting a suitable number of men
to guard them from the incursions of the enemy on which
Council laid the same before the Commander in Chief
at Albany, requesting of him a number of troops for the
above purpose, or at least provisions for one hundred
men exclusive of commissioned officers, to be raised
by this State, who was pleased to give his approbation to

raising said men and orders to the commissary at
Bennington to furnish them ^{with} provisions. Therefore;

Resolved, to raise ~~three~~ companies, consisting of fifty able
bodied effective men in each, exclusive of commissioned
officers, to be commanded by one capt. and two Lieutenants
each, to give one month's pay to them to enable them
to recruit their men, and ten dollars bounty to
each non-commissioned officer and soldier. To-
gether with four pounds per month as wages, to continue
in service two months from this date, unless sooner
discharged

By order of Council

Thos. Chittenden Pres.

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

State of Vermont In Council. Bennington 6 March
Instructions for ^{Elizabethton} Capt. Allen

The object of ordering the troops to be by you raised
and commanded, is to protect the northern inhabitants
of this State, near Lake Champlain and Otter Creek.

You will therefore proceed and raise your men with
all possible dispatch, and when you have enlisted
a sufficient number you will march them to St. John's
Fort, where you are to take post. You are to keep out proper
scouts, to reconnoiter the woods, to watch the movements
of the enemy, and report them to this Council or officer
commanding the troops in the northern department as
often as you shall find from time to time necessary, as
there is some few inhabitants, north of the fort, should
you judge them disaffected persons to the interest of the

United States of America. you shall confine him
or them & secure his or their Estates for the use of that
State until such person or persons may be tried by
a committee of Safety next adjacent to the offender
or offenders, and if such committee shall acquit them
or either of them. he or they so acquitted to be restored in their
property - You are to be particularly cautious, that no one of the
inhabitants may suffer by their effects being taken on sus-
picion of their being Tories

By order of Council

Thos. Chittenden R

Attest. Joseph Fay secy. —

State of

Vermont In Council Bennington 17 Feby. 1778

Dear Sir.

The absolute necessity of raising the three
hundred troops ordered by this Council with the utmost
dispatch renders it of importance to continue the junction
of the several officers who served as rangers within this
State last Campaign. They have accepted the encouragement
offered by Council for raising them, and that
business is now going forward with alacrity, as only six
companies are to be raised in Col. Herricks's regiment,
that it is found necessary those companies be officered
by those who served with him last Campaign. Therefore
it will be found inconvenient for you to raise your
company agreeable to the requisition of of this Council
to serve in Col. Herricks's regiment, nevertheless the
Council would wish you to proceed as fast as possible
to complete your company for the intended expedition

and the encouragement for raising them with the
levy to the men according to your instructions, will
be punctually paid you. Should you not ~~be~~ joined
to some regiment to your satisfaction to do duty with them
for the expedition, as it is proposed to raise several other
and independent companies within this State you can
do duty with them. The Council send you one hundred &
seventy dollars, to enable you to recruit your company,
which is equal to what has been given the Captains of Capt.
Herrick's regiment. Wishing you success and dispatch
in completing your company. I am, Dear Sir, your most

Obedient Humble Servant

(By order of Council)

Thomas Chittenden D.

Capt. Abner Scales

Bernington 28 February 1778

To the commanding officer at Albany

Sir - I am directed by Council to inclose a letter from
the inhabitants of our frontiers by which you will have an
opportunity to observe their complaints, which I judge are
not groundless. Those inhabitants have been for time past
supported by a small scout of about 24 men, inhabitants
of this State who are in an unhappy ~~condition~~ situation
on account of their families, or fodder for their cattle
occasioned by the ravages of the enemy last campaign,
which has been so universally the case of the inhabitants
of this State, that it has put it out of our power to furnish
a public store of provisions; I therefore desire your Honor
to furnish a sufficient ^{guard} to protect the

Frontiers, or give orders that provisions be supplied out
of the Continental Stores, for the subsistence of one hundred
men, exclusive of officers to be raised within this State
for that purpose, which this Council are of opinion
will be sufficient until the opening of the Spring
I am, Sir, &c.

Thomas Chittenden R.

Bennington 28 Feb. 1778
Gentlemen

This day M^{rs} Walker makes application to
this Council for the use of the farm, the former property
of her husband, in order to enable her to support her
family, you will be pleased to take her case into your
consideration, and if no better method can be found by you
for the maintenance of her family, it will be ad-
visable to lease her the improvement of said farm
not exceeding one year, her providing sufficient security
for the maintenance of such family

I am, Sir, Your Hum^{ble} Serv^t

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden R.

To the Commissioners of Sequestration, Clarendon.

State of Vermont. In Council. Bennington 25 Feb. 1778
We have had verbal information that the intended
expedition to Canada is stopped. You are therefore desired
to give immediate orders to the several officers appointed
on the east side of the mountains for that purpose, to
desist from engaging any more men until further
orders. The men that are already engaged are wanted

to defend the frontiers of this State. You will please
to enquire whether those engaged are ~~willing~~ to take a
short tour for that purpose. They will be entitled
to ten dollars per month as wages. You will
give the earliest information of the number willing
to engage. You will not advance any more money
till further orders

I am, Sir, your Humble servant
By order of Council
Joseph Fay, Secy.

Major Benjⁿ Wait

February 25, 1788

Sir— You are hereby required to call the committee
of Safety for the town of Manchester, & as soon as may be,
take cognizance of the case now depending between
St. Peter Roberts & Arthur Postwick relative to the salt.
Roberts accuses Postwick of taking without his licence
therefor. To make and execute judgement thereon
as to justice appears; and to order the promise made
by Postwick to Roberts for making restitution for the
salt by the 27th inst. to be suspended until such
trial may be had

I am, Sir, your Humble servant
Joseph Fay, Secy.

St. Martin Panel

Bernington 24 Feb 1778

State of
Vermont } In Council date above
Sir

Your favour of yesterday, & Mr. Doolittle came to hand last evening. This Council have taken the contents into consideration, and are of opinion your committee have full power to judge and try the case and order the same to be carried into execution against Moses Olmstead in favour of St. Sutherland, in case Olmstead, on examination shall be found guilty of the accusation laid against him, if Olmstead has right of action against Latham or any other person, it must be at his own risque, he has right of trial before the civil authority for an offence committed by any soldier in service on proper application.

I am, Sir Your Humble Servant
Joseph Fay, Secy,

Major Clark

Bernington 4th March 1778

Gentlemen

The bearers David Kinney and Jonathan Trissel, have this day made application to this Council for (each) the rent of a town farm within this State. They appear to be men that will make useful members of society, will deposite money in the Treasury office of this State, sufficient at least for the rent of such farm or farms as they may agree for. This Council therefore desire that if you have any farms now in possession that you can dispose

of by virtue of your commission of sequestration
on the usual rate of renting them, that you oblige
the bearers to the best of your abilities.

I am Gentlemen your most
Obedient Humble Servant

(By order of Council)

Geo. Fay, secy.

Messrs Fitch & Roberts -

As to the farm that Capt. Hedges

agreed for he will not improve -

Pennington 6 March 1770

State of 3
Vermont 3 In Council date above -
Gentlemen

This Council have taken into
consideration your request of the 15 of January last
for their assistance in completing the regiment
(which you have the honor of commanding) to
their full number, and being fully willing to grant
such request, have in consequence issued their orders
some time since, to the several field officers of
militia within this state, to make and return a true
and perfect list of the number of male inhabitants
included in each company in each such regiments
between the age of sixteen and sixty years, on or
before the 12th of March ~~next~~ instant, which returns
will be by this Council laid before the General
Assembly of this state who are appointed to meet
at Windsor on said 12th day, as also you request. You

will please to make returns of the number of officers
and their rank particularly and the number of non-
commissioned officers and privates necessary to
complete your regiment. The same may be laid before
the Assembly and such recommendations by this
Council as to effectually answer your request

I am Gentleman your most obedt

Humble Servant

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden

Col. Seth Warner & Lt. Col. Safford

State of ³
Vermont ³ In Council Windsor 12th March 1778

This Council do recommend to the several gentle-
men appointed by the several freemen appointed towns
within this State to represent them in General Assembly
to assemble at the town house in this place immediately &
to form a house of Assembly by choosing a speaker & clerk
and make report of your proceedings hereon as soon as
may be to this Council

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden Secy

State of ³
Vermont ³ In Council Windsor 12 March 1778

To John Benjamin, Gentleman

Whereas a number of the inhabitants of this State
are now met together in this place, appointed by
the several freemen of the towns several towns within
this State in order to form a house of Assembly And

Whereas, it is found necessary that some person be
appointed to act in the capacity of Sheriff during
the session of this present Assembly (unless sooner
discharged, and to subject yourself to such rules
and orders as you shall from time to time receive from
this or a future Council of this State, for which this shall be
your sufficient warrant

By order of Council
Thos Chittenden Secy

Attest Joseph Fay Secy

Windsor 13th March 1778

State of
Vermont

This day commences the first proceedings of
Council upon the establishment of the Constitution
of the State of
Vermont—

Sir— Whereas the freemen of this State have by their
vote appointed you to be one of the members of the
Hon^{ble} Council of this State, & whereas, it is of necessity that
the several members be together at this present Session
of General Assembly, you are therefore desired to attend
that business immediately.

By order of ^{the Gov^r &} Council

Thos Chandler J^r Secy.

The Hon^{ble} Jacob Bayley Esq^r—

State of
Vermont

In Council date above

To Captain Thomas Sawyer—

By express have the honor of your worthy
exertions on Thursday, while we regret the loss of St.
Barnum and your men, congratulate you on your
signal victory over such a superiority of numbers.
Viewing your dangerous and remote situation, the
difficulty of reinforcing and supplying you, do there-
fore direct you to retreat to the Block House in New-Idaan.
Bring with you all the friendly inhabitants, you are
not to destroy any buildings, wheat or other effects. you

will remain at D Hook house until released by Capt.
Eleazer Allen, or Capt. Isaac Clark who are directed
immediately to repair to your relief

By order of Governor & Council

Thos Chandler Jun^r Secy

Voted in General Assembly this should be sent

Benj^m Bowdoin Clerk -

to Capt Sawyer -

Windsor 14 March 1778

State of }
Vermont }

Sir - You are by the freemen of this State
appointed a member of Council. You are directed
to attend the business at this place with all convenient
dispatch

I am your humble servant

By order of Governor & Council

Thos Chandler Jr Secy

Moses Robinson Esq^r

State of }
Vermont }

In General Assembly Windsor 14 March 1778

In General Assembly of the Representatives of the
freemen of the state of Vermont.

Resolved, that his Excellency

the Governor, Dep^y Governor & the Honorable Council of
the state, or such persons as they shall appoint of their body
be hereby empowered to draw on the Treasurer General
of this state for such sums of money as they shall need
to settle with the rangers & others heretofore raised for

the defence & security of this and the United States of
America. Agreeable to an act of convention or of General
for said purpose & all other just debts of this State, they
rendering an account of the same to such auditor or
auditors as shall be by this House appointed for that purpose.

By order of Assembly

Nathan Clark, Speaker -

Test. Benjamin Bauldwin Clerk -

To his Excellency Gov. & Council _____

State of

Vermont } In General Assembly Windsor 18 March 1778

Upon the petition of John Payne John Ordway, Comfort
Seave and their assistants, praying to be assured that
they shall have the refusal of so much of the land
thereon disclosed as shall hereafter be found to belong
to this State & that they shall be granted to them on reason-
able terms, and incorporated into a distinct and
separate town as by petition on file bearing date Jan.
18th. 1778. may appear. Therefore.

Resolved by this Assembly that the above named John
Payne, John Ordway, Comfort Seave and their assistants
provided they are forty six in number, besides what
is hereafter reserved for public use. viz; one right or
share for the first settled minister, one for the parsonage
one for a school, & four hundred acres which is
reserved in the south west corner of D. town for the
use of a college. Resolved that the best of the land
above referred to shall be granted to them agreeable
to the tenor of their said request, at the appraisement

of indifferent men, as wild lands where the circumstances of this State will admit of its being done with propriety; on condition of one settler be ~~on said~~ settled on such private share in two years after granted the said petitioners advancing the sum of two thousand dollars, on loan in the Loan office which shall be hereafter established in this State agreeable to the proposals of their agent to this Assembly, within two months after such loan office shall properly erected

passed in the House of Representatives
Benjamin Bauldwin Clerk.

Windsor 23 March 1778

State of {
Vermont { Sir - you are hereby directed to deliver to the bearer Mr. Watts Hubbard, the Bond made by Zaleediah Stone Esq.^r the bearer, & Alexander Parnall for the safe keeping in custody Watts Hubbard Jr. for which this shall be your sufficient discharge, with his receipt on the back

I am Sir, your Humble servant

By order of Council

Thomas Chandler Jr. Secy.

Capt William Dean -

Whereas it is represented to this Assembly that there are certain parcels of of land, divided into lots, lying in the Township of Hartford, formerly the property of White Head Hicks, and others, now open to the enemy &

consequently forfeited to the United States of America
And Whereas, the Hon. the Continental Congress have
recommended to the several States to make immediate
sale of such lands; And Whereas Mr. William Galusha
of said town has made application to this body for
liberty to dispose of the same to good inhabitants
therefore; Resolved that Mr. William Galusha may
agreeable to his request (on putting one thousand
dollars into the Loan Office of this State, & by no means
any payment for sd land, but that said persons so
purchasing, may at the expiration of one year, have
so much of said lands at the appraisal of men as
lands are now disposed of, in which case the
interest of sd. money is not to be given, or as they may
then see at their option; as will amount to the money
so lent) be permitted to make sale of sd. lands, to
such inhabitants (on proviso that if it should hereafter
appear that said lands ought not to be disposed
off as aforesaid) that the person or persons so purchasing
shall receive their money again of the Treasurer of
this State with interest for the same with six per cent $\text{\$}$
annum.

Passed in the House of Assembly March 24th 1778
Benjamin Bauldwin
Clerk

Witness 25 March 1778

State of {
Vermont} In Council date above
Watts Hubbard jun. as principal & Watts Hubbard and
Zedekiah Stone both of Windsor, as sureties, recognized

in two hundred and fifty dollars pounds each, to the Treasurer of this State, on his success the condition of this recognizance is such that if the above said Watts Hubbard Jr. shall appear before the special of the half shire of Westminster when summoned thereto & not depart there without leave, then this present obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue—

State of {
Vermont { Windsor March 25, 1778

In the House of Representatives, Resolved, that each committee have three dollars and a half per day that they spend in the service of this State, together with 4^d per mile travelling, to be laid before his Excellency in Council

Test. Benjamin Paulsen Clerk—

Windsor 26 March 1778

State of {
Vermont { In Council date above

Whereas it is absolutely necessary that a court be appointed to confiscate & order the sale of the estates, both real and personal, belonging to the enemies of the United States & which lies within the limits of this State, and whereas the Hon. the General Assembly of this State have empowered the Governor & Council with General Bayly, Major Thomas Muddack, Col. Peter Cleott, Benjamin Emmons Esq., Paul Spooner Esq., Col. Benj. Carpenter, any four of whom to be a quorum, be and are hereby appointed a court & empowered to confiscate and

order sale to be made of all such lands & estates as
shall by sufficient evidence appear to be forfeited
within the County of Cumberland, and order the
produce of the same into the Treasury of this State, they
are also empowered to appoint commissioners to
adjust and settle the accounts of the creditors to said
estates, and order payment of the same, and also
to settle the accounts of the soldiers and others in the
service of this State, the last Campaign, & give orders
to the Treasurer or his Clerk for the payment thereof,
By order of Governor & Council,
Thomas Chandler Jr. Secy.

26.

This Council do appoint Capt. Samuel Robinson
& Mr. Thomas Rowley to be County Surveyors for the
County of Bennington

26

To Benjamin Fay Esq.

This Council, reposing special
trust and confidence in your loyalty & good conduct
do hereby appoint you to be Sheriff within and for the
County of Bennington, You are therefore duly and
faithfully from time to time, to do & perform the
duty of Sheriff, within said County, and you are
hereby empowered to Depute one sufficient person
to serve under you until another shall be duly chosen
and serve in your room, for which this shall be your
sufficient warrant

Given in the Council Chamber date above

Thomas Chandler Jr. Secy.

Windsor 26 March 1778

State of

Vermont

In Council date above

This Council have appointed Hon. Hatch Esq., Joshua Bayley, Mr. Ezra Sargent, & Mr. Dorius Sessions as County Surveyors for the County of Cumberland for the time being

26

This Council have appointed John Benjamin for a Sheriff for the County of Cumberland for the time being

26

This Council have appointed Col. Moses Robinson and Jonas Fay Esq.^s as a committee to prepare bills to lay before the General Assembly at their next sessions

26

Voted that his Excellency the Governor & Council that live in the County of Bennington, be a court of confiscation the Estate of those persons that are Enemies in the same form as those in the County of Cumberland.

State of

Vermont

In Council date above

Voted that the Hon. Joseph Marsh Esq. & the Hon. Jonas Fay Esq.^s be deputed to wait on the Hon. Continental Congress, to announce that Hon. body the formation of this State. Likewise voted to write Col. Elisha Payne to accompany the above persons for the above purpose above written

26

Voted to adjourn this Council from this place to meet at Arlington on Tuesday the seventh day of April next to meet at the dwelling house of Elnathan

in d.

Shelington

State of Vermont In Council Windsor March 19th 1778
To Capt. Ebenezer Allen & Isaac Clark

Gentlemen,

By express this moment received the account of Captain Thomas Sawyers late signal victory over the enemy at Shelburn. Therefore direct you to repair to his relief without loss of time. You are to take post at Fort William, on Otter Creek, for the time being. You will send scouts to protect the inhabitants, or to harass the enemy, as you in your wisdom may determine. All the inhabitants you cannot safely protect. You are to invite to move within your lines. (to be by you possessed for the time being) within a reasonable time, and all such as move to come in (if need be) you will assist, and those that refuse such kind invitations, you are to treat as enemies to this and the United States of America. If possible you will secure the wharves at Shelburn & such other effects as shall be in your power. You are not to burn or destroy any buildings or other effects.

I am Gentlemen your Obedient

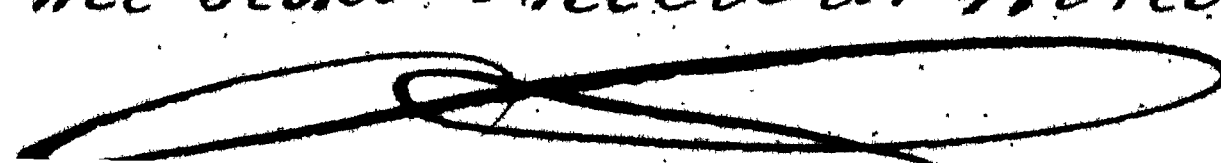
Humble Servant

By order of Council
Thomas Chandler Jr. Secy

Captains Allen & Clark —

Voted in the House of ~~Representatives~~ Representatives
to be sent — Benjamin Bulfinch Clerk

The end of the session held at Windsor March 1778



Arlington 9th April 1778

State of Vermont

Sir - Mr. Brayton informs this Council that you have a ~~side~~ saddle in your custody which is his property. He says that he has procured sufficient bonds to the Committee for the maintenance of his family by which he is entitled to such of his moveables as have not been taken and disposed of by the authority of this State previous to his procuring such bonds. Therefore you are required to deliver the saddle to Mr. Brayton on sight hereof, unless you have sufficient that any part of his goods are reserved by the Committee of Safety for the town of Clarinda.

By order of the Gov^r & Council

Matthew Lyon Capt. Secy

To Mr. Sylvanus Brown —

State of Vermont. In Council Arlington April 11th 1778

Sir - You are hereby directed to give William Irish a pass to carry his family down the country to ^{the} town and then to return to you again as quick as possible and set the time when he is to return.

By order of Gov^r & Council

M. Lyon & Greay

Capt. Samuel Robinson —

Arlington April 11. 1778

State of Vermont In Council

This Council is Adjourned to Monday the 20 day of this instant April to meet at Mr. Leonard's in this town

By order of Governor & Council

M. Lyon, J. Greay

State of Vermont. In Council 10 April 1770
Sir,

You are hereby required to call to your assistance
two sufficient able bodied effective men, and such
as you can repose the greatest trust & confidence in, and
with them immediately to proceed to the Green Moun-
tains east of this place, and from thence you are to
proceed to the north and to search the woods critically
and diligently, and in case you or any of your party
shall make discovery of any person or persons who
have voluntarily heretofore gone over to the ~~British~~ enemy
and are now within this State as spies, or otherwise
that you secure any such person or persons, & him or
them bring forthwith before this board to be further
dealt with according to law. And you are hereby
authorised and empowered to call to your assistance
such of the militia of this State as you may find from
time to time find necessary to carry this measure into
effectual execution, and if at any time you should
find necessary, you are to immediately post away
the intelligence of your situation and the discoveries
you have made, to the Governor of this State; & you
are hereby further directed and empowered to admin-
ister the oath of secrecy to the persons whom you
shall take to your assistance; & you are likewise to
secure any other person or persons whom you may judge
to be enemies to this or the United States of America.

Thomas Chittenden

To Capt. Ebenezer Wallace

Attest Madelon D. Secretary —

Arlington 11 April 1778

State of }
Vermont } Adventure of Council

Hon. Joseph Barker Esq?	"	"	"	£ 6. 1. 0
Hon. Jonas Fay Esq?	"	"	"	3. 9. 0
Hon. Moses Robinson Esq?	"	"	"	3. 9. 0
Hon. Jeremiah Clark Esq?	"	"	"	5. 8. 8
Hon. Timothy Brownson Esq?	"	"	"	10. 6
Matthew Lyon 4 days				

Attest. M. Lyon D. Secretary

State of }

Vermont } In Council Arlington 10th April 1778

Seth Wheeler appeared before this Council to answer to a complaint of Capt. John Tabett, and confessed the substance of the complaint, and after mature deliberation do judge that he shall pay a fine of ten pounds & cost of prosecution taxed at £ 7. 19. 10

Attest. M. Lyon. D. Secretary

Bennington 9th March 1778

State of Vermont

Sir. You are hereby directed to march the men already enlisted by virtue of commission or warrant from Lt. Col. Herrick for the intended expedition into Canada & you and the other officers (who have enlisted any such soldier) may be hereby assured that any reasonable encouragement heretofore offered shall be paid by them, the Council present are of opinion, that a surgeon ought to be allowed for your use, and the corps that is to serve under you, but as this is but few of the Council (at present) together they think it

advisable for them to report their opinion in that matter to the General Assembly and let you know their resolution thereon next week. You will be supplied from time to time, with every thing necessary for the comfort of your camp, that is in the power of this Council to afford you.

By order of Council Thomas Chittenden R.
To Capt. Ebenezer Allen & commissioned officers under him

Arlington 23 April 1778

State of Vermont.

Capt Ebenezer Wallace brought an account for service done according to orders he recd from this Council of the 10 of March instant to the amt of £15..15..1 which is granted & the Treasurer ordered to pay the same
Attest M. Lyon D. Secy

State of

Vermont } In Council Arlington 24 April 1778

Whereas it has been represented to this Council by Austin Sealey, that you have taken from him a cow & calf which is either the property of this State or his son, this is therefore to request and order you to deliver the cow & calf to said Sealey, or to appear before this Council to give the reasons why you withhold said cow & calf, forthwith

By order of Governor & Council

Matthew Lyon D. Secy

To Abraham Mattison, Pawnal

State of Vermont. Arlington 23^d April 1778

Adjutant Joseph Fay, appeared before this Council and took the necessary oath of office and recd his commission
Attest M. Lyon D. Secy

Colonel Herrick is ordered to direct ~~St. Col.~~ Lt. Col. Walbridge to lead the 2^d company in Brimington to a choice of a captain
Attest M. Lyon, D. Secy.

The hon. Moses Robinson Exp. to the oath of allegiance & office and signed the religious test
Attest M. Lyon, D. Secy.

The Exp. sent to the Lt. Governor is consigned to the care of Capt. Sawyer Chandler
Attest M. Lyon, D. Secy.

Resolved, that his Excellency the Governor write to Governor Marsh to acquaint him that it is the resolution of this Council that the whole of the troops that were to be raised to fill Col. Warner's regiment, to march forthwith to Rutland which is the resolution of this Council & Governor Marsh is to be requested & ordered to order the officers commanding said troops to march them to be raised in Cumberland County, to Rutland and the Governor is to order the commanding officer of the two regiments in this County to order their men immediately to march
Attest M. Lyon, D. Secy.

State of

Vermont In Council Arlington 24 April 1778

Sir - Whereas Lt. Col. Warner's regiment is ordered to Albany for the present, and whereas there is absolute necessity of a number of men to be immediately sent to guard the frontier inhabitants of this State in as much as the time for which Capt. Allen's & Clark's men were engaged expires the second day of May next, after which time they cannot

be prevailed with to remain there longer, therefore
you are hereby directed and ordered to immediately raise
fifty seven able bodied effective men which are ordered
to be raised in the 2^d regiment by the General Assembly
of this State, which you now have the honor to command
and cause them to be properly officered by some of the militia
officers of your regiment, and every way equipped for a
campaign and order them to march to Rutland as
quick as possible, where they will be joined by the other
troops ordered to be raised by this State, the said militia
officers to continue in service until the rising of the
adjourned session of Assembly (which sits the 4 day of
June next) unless sooner discharged.

By order of Gov. & Council

M Lyon D^r

To Col. Samuel Herrick—

Orders of the same tenor & date (of the above) issued to the
Col of the 5 regiment of militia except 60 men in lieu of 67
Attest M Lyon D^r

State of Vermont.

In Council Arlington 24 April 1778

Sir— You are hereby commanded to march the troops
under your command to the assistance of Capt. Ebenezer
Allen, in the northern frontiers of this State, where you
will continue for the protection thereof, and to assist in
removing such families within the line of defence as
you find in your power, having always reference to the
necessitous circumstances of such families, who are
unable to help themselves, in doing of which you are

to be particular cautious that the effects of such families
 be kept as compact, and with as much safety as possible.
 You will continue in service twelve days from the 22^d day of
 this instant or more if you find it necessary unless you
 shall receive counter orders from this board. Those who
 give their assistance in removing their families will be
 supplied with provisions by such families until provisions
 arrive for the troops, (as well as for the corps under capt. Allen
 command) which is now on the way.

By order of Governor & Council.

M. Lyon D. Secy

To Capt. N. Smith —

State of Vermont,

In Council Arlington April 25, 1778

The Debeniture of Council

Hon. Joseph Bowker	"	"	£ 4.. 19.. 0.
Hon. Timothy Brownson	"	"	5 " 5 " 0.
Hon. Moses Robinson	"	"	5 " 10 " 0.
Hon. Jonas Fay —	"	"	6 " 11 " 0.
Hon. Jeremiah Clark	"	"	3 " 7 " 0.

M. Lyon 5 days D. Secy.

M. Lyon D. Secretary

State of {

Vermont } In Council date above

Peter Roberts is desired Commissioner of Sequestration
 is desired to allow Ephraim Mallery to have one month
 in the house for his property —

(28)

Mr. Joseph Smith is to sell the wheat that he has seized formerly the property of Joseph Lewis, now stored at ^{Weymouth} ~~Potter~~ and pay Mr. Spague two pounds five shillings and six pence L. Money, and as much to himself & the remainder to send by a safe hand to the Treasurer of this State as soon as may be. The money to be paid to Mr. Spague & Mr. Smith is for travel to Bennington & giving evidence against said Lewis.

By order of Governor & Council

M. Lyon Secretary

2 P

Capt. Eleazer Wallace, Lt. Thomas Butterfield and Ensign James Hawley have taken their commissions and the oaths of fidelity and office.

Attest. M. Lyon D. Secy.

Albington 1st May 1778

The Debuture of Council

Hon. Joseph Bowker Esq. " £. 4.. 4.. 0.

" Timothy Brownson Esq. " 3.. 13.. 6.

" Jeremiah Clark Esq. " 5.. 9.. 0.

M. Lyon D. S. 5 day —

State of {

Vermont { In Council Albington 22 April 1778

We have received a petition from the inhabitants of the towns on Otter Creek North of Puttford dated April 13. 1778. and having considered the petition and their present circumstances do advise said inhabitants that as soon as they can come within our lines they improve the opportunity. It does not at present appear to this Council

that we can guard further north than Pitoford and
Castleton. Therefore you will conduct yourselves ac-
cordingly. We shall give orders to the officers now commanding
our party to the north, and shall continue such orders
to any officer commanding by Commission under this
state to give all possible assistance to you in moving
until to have had an opportunity to come in, which if you
do not improve you may expect to be treated as enemies

By order of Governor & Council

M. Lyon Secy

To the Inhabitants to the north of Pitoford on Otter creek

Another letter of the same substance and date sent
to the inhabitants of Lanton, Addison and Pomfret

Attest, M. Lyon Secy

State of
Vermont } In Council Arlington April 22^d 1778

Dear Sir - In consequence of intelligence recd. at several
different times from the northward, I have ordered the militia
(who are now on their march) to your assistance. I have
sent the medicines & dressings for the use of the corps under
your command. bandages are not to be had. you will
therefore (if necessity require) take such as can be spared by
the inhabitants. taking a particular account of the quantity
& its value that it may be paid for. I send you also one
hundred cartridges which I hope will be sufficient for
your purpose until you will be further supplied from
hence, which is now on the way.

I have not the least doubt of your military skill,
and the conduct and spirit of the officers & soldiers
under your command, and that with your exertions

in conjunction with those sent to your assistance, you
will be able (with the helping of God) to protect the inhabitants
against the fury and rage of savages, & diabolical tricks
until seasonably relieved & heartily wish you success & am
Dear Sir your very humble servant
Thomas Chittenden

Capt Eleazer Allen —

Copy attest. M. Lyon Secy —

State of {
Vermont { In Council Burlington 22 April 1778
Such people to the northward as have wheat
or flour, which they wish to change for flour at Benning-
ton, should deliver the same to Mr. Elisha Clark & Co.
Commissionary for the party at Pittsford. Rutland &c
taking his receipt therefor, specifying the quantity
and certify that it was borrowed for the use of the army
and his order thereon to the Commissionary of Groves
at Bennington desiring to deliver to such persons
the same quantity as he has received of them

By order of Governor & Council
M. Lyon Secy

To whom it may concern —

State of {
Vermont { In Council Burlington May 23 1778
The Disbursement of Council as follows, viz:
Hon. Moses Robinson Esq.^r " " 2.. 7 " 0
Hon. Timothy Brownson Esq.^r " " 0.. 12 " 0
Hon. Jonas Fay Esq.^r " " 1.. 17 " 0
Hon. Jeremiah Clark Esq.^r " " 4.. 0 " 0
Matthew Lyon D. S. 2 days & half —

In Council Arlington 28 May 1778 -
To Capt. Jesse Sawyer

You are hereby directed to engage five soldiers to go with you in search of enemical persons to the north of this. Such places as you shall think proper & make returns of your proceedings within six days to this Council
Thomas Chittenden Gov.

Attest. M. Lyon. Secy.

Arlington 28 May 1778

Names of the Officers of the 2 Regiment of the Militia of this State
Colonel Samuel Herrick. Lt. Col. Ebenezer Wallbridge
Major Gideon Olin. Adjutant Joseph Fay -

Quarter Master John Burnham

1st Company in Bennington
Capt. Samuel Robinson

1st Lt. Gideon Spencer

2nd Lt. " " "

Ensign. Joseph Hinesdel

1st Company in Shaftsbury

Capt. Abiather Waldo

Lt. " " "

Ens. John Sunderland

1st Company in Pownal

Capt. " " "

Lt. " " "

Ens. " " "

Arlington

Capt. Ebenezer Wallace

Lt. Thomas Butterfield

Ens. James Hawley

2nd Company in Bennington

Capt. Wm. Hutchinson

1st Lt. N. Wilmore

2nd Lt. Joseph Reede

Ensign. Lib. Armstrong

2nd Company in Shaftsbury

Capt. Jonas Galeucha

Lt. Gideon Lyon

Ens. Nathan Stone

2nd Company in Pownal

Capt. " " "

Lt. " " "

Ens. " " "

Sunderland Company

Capt. Daniel Comstock

Lt. Eli Brownson

Names of the officers of the 5th Regiment of this State -

Colonel Gideon Warner
Lt. Col. James Colburn
Major. Nathan Smith
Adjutant Jon. Saxton
2^d Master, George Doat
1st Company, Manchester
Capt. Gideon Crosby
Lt. Solomon Soper
Ens.ⁿ William Saxton
2^d Company, Dorset
Capt. Abraham Underhill
Lt. Richard Dunning
Ens.ⁿ Ephraim Reynolds
3^d Company, Rumford
Capt. John Noble
Lt. Enoch Eastman
Ens.ⁿ Moses Robinson
4th Company, Innsmouth
Capt. John Spafford
Lt. Samuel Allen
Ens.ⁿ George Train
5th Company, Rutland
Capt. Simon Wright
Lt. Samuel Campbell
Ens.ⁿ Nathan Blanchard
6th Company, Paulet
Capt. John Stark
Lt. Samuel Willard
Ens.ⁿ Joel Hosmer.

7th Company, Claremont
Capt. Thomas Sawyer
Lt. " "
Ens. " "
8th Company, Paultney
Capt. Zebediah Devey
Lt. James Hookings
Ens. William Ward
9th Company, Pittsford
Capt. Benjamin Cooley
Lt. Moses Olmstead
Ens. James Hopkins
11th Company, Wells
Capt. Daniel Culver
Lt. Abel Meriman
Ens. Jackson Mallery
12th Company, Danby
Capt. Stephen Perkins
Lt. Isaac Guage
Ens. Thomas Rowley -
13th Company, Castleton
Capt. Ephraim Buell
Lt. Israel Hullett
Ens. Gersham Lake
14th Company, Asholby
Capt. Thomas Tuttle
Lt. Nathan Daniels
Ens. Amos Cuttler

15 Company Wallingford, 16th Company Sandgate
St. Abraham Ines Capt ~~_____~~
Ens Abraham Jackson

" " " "

Arlington 28 May 1770

State of {
Vermont { In Council date above

Whereas it has been represented to this Council
that the wife of Jeremiah French, late of Manchester (now
in arms with the Enemy) is very turbulent & treacherous when
she now is, & refuses to obey orders.

To Stephen Washburn Esq.

You are hereby commanded to take said woman and
her children that are now in Manchester, and transport to
Head quarters at Rutland & there deliver them to the comman-
ding officer, who will order a party of the men under his
command to transport & guard them, to some convenient
place on the east side of Lake Champlain, where she can go to
the enemy ~~where~~ in order to get to her husband, and also take
of her moveable Estate, formerly the property of J French, now in
her possession, two feather beds and bedding, not exceeding
eight sheets, six coverlids, or blankets, 5 plates, two platters,
two basons, one quart cup & knives & forks, if she has such things
of her own & her childrens wearing apparel, the rest of the
moveables belonging to said Estate, you will sell to the best
advantage, in order to defray the charge of transporting of her
and family, you will keep exact accounts, & the overplus you
will pay to the Treasurer of this State

By order of Governor & Council. M. Lyon Secy

Hilington 24th May 1778 *

Sir— In consequence of orders from the Hon. Major General Gates. The Continental Battalions at Albany are marched to Peekskill and Col. Warner's regiment to Albany. Your Honor is no doubt sensible the term for which the Corps under Captain Allen's command were engaged expires the 24th of May next, after which term they cannot be prevailed upon to remain. When these several circumstances come to be ^{fully} weighed, and considering at the same time that several of the enemies armed vessels are now at and about Crown Point & Oneida which has already occasioned an alarm through the whole militia of this State. That some effectual measure be immediately adopted for the protection of the frontiers. I have by the advice of my Council wrote the commanding officer of the northern department requesting the assistance of Warner's regiment, or some other Continental regiment for that service. & have recd. accounts from Major Gen. Gates Conway at Albany that it is not intended to remove Col. Warner's out of this State, except for some temporary service, but since it is out of my power to determine the length of a piece of temporary service, am therefore of opinion with this Council that it is absolutely necessary that the troops ordered by the General Assembly to be raised within this State & added to Col. Warner's regiment for seven months service, to be forthwith ordered to be filled up and marched without the least delay to Putnam for the purpose aforesaid. You are therefore hereby desired & commanded to cause the number of troops ordered to be raised in the County of Cumberland for the purpose

* although this letter is dated 24 May in the Journal of Council it ought to be 24 Apr

aforsaid to be immediately filled up (if not already
not already completed) & order their officers to march by
the shortest & most convenient route to Rutland forward
when they will join those troops ordered in the County of
Barnington where they will receive further orders
from me as I flatter myself the troops are nearly ^{quite} completed.
I make not the least doubt but they will be on their march
by the first day of May next, with provisions sufficient
for their march to that place where they will be duly
mustered & receive provisions & ammunition. Should
the companies be already completed, you will forward
those already ~~completed~~ raised, with proper officers, and
hurry the completion already ~~altered~~ of the number
ordered. You will let me know the time the troops will
arrive at Rutland that provisions may be ready for their
reception, the papers directed to the commanding
officer of the County of Gloucester as forwarded to you
your wisdom will direct their use

I am Hon. Sir, your most obedient
Humble Servant

Thomas Pittender
Capt. Genl.

To H. Gov.

Joseph Marsh

Abington April 27th 1778

Dear Sir

Yours of yesterdays date is now on the table in which you inform of the receipt of the orders sent you from this Council, in which you talk of difficulty & impossibilities. I am very sorry to hear that any thing resolved on by the General Assembly of the Representatives of the freemen of this State, should be thought by you difficult, and impossible. as to the time of service mentioned in your letter I cannot determine, which of you mean officers or soldiers, that is clearly set forth in your orders, if your soldiers, that is seven months from the 5 day of May next. Their wages is to be four pounds for a soldier, & in proportion for non-commissioned officers What the Continent does not allow, this State will to that amount. It is the orders of the Assembly that those men be raised, each town giving their own quarters what shall be by them thought to be an equivalent for their service for encouragement the Assembly have made the resolve concerning those men, and it is not in the power of this Council to alter it materially, as you know, ours is the Exective part, theirs the Legislative I cannot say, but they may alter their ~~mind~~ plan at their next session. I expected the Honorable Jonas Fay & Moses Robinson would have informed you sufficiently on that head. While this letter was writing Recd one from Capt. Allen, which informs that it is his design to dismiss his men when their time is out, and is very loath to leave the ground until properly returned

Therefore it is of the utmost importance that the men
are raised immediately for the security of our frontiers
before any alteration can be made. I expect you will
lose no time in performing the orders you have received
from Council as to the officer or officers to command
the whole. It is not known. There are not appointed
but will be seasonably

Yours &c.

Thomas Chittenden

To _____

Wilmington 29th April 1778

State of
Vermont }

In Council date above

In

Your letter of the 3^d instant was delivered the 4th
I have remarked the contents & thought proper to omit an
answer until I could obtain further intelligence from the
commander in chief of the Northern Department of the necessity
of urging the immediate raising the quota of men ordered
by the General Assembly of this State for recruiting Colonel
Warner's regiment. I have now before me General Gates
letter of the 18th instant earnestly requesting me to draft
three hundred men to recruit Col^l Warner's regiment
and that nothing might retard their immediate
joining him when they should receive General Stark's
orders who commands in this department under the
direction of General Gates. I imagine was in consequence
of intelligence he had privately received of the order of the
General Assembly to raise the same three hundred men

for the same purpose. The quarts assigned for that purpose in this County, are completed & have been some time in service at Rutland, under the command of Captain Brownson, part of Col. Warner's regiment.

Col. Olcott writes, that should he attempt to draft the number ordered from his regiment, they would engage with Col. Bridel. I however flatter myself that Col. Olcott must be sensible, that whenever such men are thus drafted, they are held by virtue of such draft, and that Col. Bridel cannot be ignorant that he has no right to countenance such a measure. I have wrote General Stark on the subject of raising the men agreeable to General Gates request, who most approves of the measure and earnestly urges an immediate compliance. The absolute necessity of this reasonable, & the honor that will accrue to this State, obliges me to renew my request in directions to you to forward what troops you have already engaged, to Rutland without the least delay and to forward the completing quarts as soon as may be.

I have written General Stark that the number now in service, & the encouragement you wrote me of furnishing a considerable more soon, who has communicated it to General Gates. I am satisfied by repeated marks of friendship, & the intelligence recd. by Col. Allen (who is your present ^{authority}) that no ill is likely to happen to this State by Congress.

I hope to have the happiness of your Company next week, with the other Gentlemen of the Council, and am Sir
Your most Obedient, Humble Servant, Thomas Chittenden
Hon. Gen. Marsh. Attest. M. Lyon D.S. —

Shelington 22nd May 1778

Dear Sir

In consequence of a letter rec^d last evening from Major General Gates, dated Fishkill the 18th instant, requesting me to draft three hundred men to recruit Col^l. Warners regiment. I have called my Council together this morning, for their advice in the matter. The General Assembly, at their sitting in March last, ordered three hundred men, exclusive of officers, to be raised for seven months service to join Col^l. Warners regiment the first instant. The quota assigned the east side of the Mountain, being one hundred & fifteen, are completed and now acting in conjunction with 40 men of Col^l. Warners regiment, now under the command of Capt Gideon Brownson, at Rutland. At the time the quota ordered on the east side of the mountain in this State, should have been raised before Colonel Bradl received orders from the Marquis de la Fayette, to recruit a regiment by which he has raised three hundred and ninety nine men, a very considerable part in this State, as appears by his particular return to me of the 14th inst^t, which has retarded the raising of the quota on the east side of the mountain. He writes, viz: "we are ready on the shortest notice to assist you against any force that may come from the Lake, against you, as some of my scouts have discovered parties on the Lake & in the woods." Should ^{High} General Gates mean to have the troops already raised, marched to Albany, the inhabitants on the northern frontiers, cannot be prevailed upon to remain in their habitations, which must not only create much cost

and uneasiness to them. but prevent their raising a
considerable quantity of provisions for their own and
the public use. would beg your honors opinion in the
premises. I am Dear Sir your Honors Most Obedient

Humble Servant

Thomas Chittenden

P.S. I am informed that Col. Breders men are not in
actual service for want of provisions, except some small
squad. Capt. Putnam will let you know the matter
more particularly -

Thomas Chittenden

State of

Vermont

In Council Arlington May 22, 1770

Sir

David Bradley in the behalf of the inhabitants
of New-Haven and applies to this Council
for liberty for those inhabitants to remain in their
professions at present as by reason of the situation of
some of the women it is impracticable for them to
remove. You will please to allow such indulgence
to such persons as you shall from time to time find
their necessities require. I need not caution you against
the heinous crime of soldiers plundering the inhabitants

I am with regard your Humble Servant

Thomas Chittenden

Capt. Gideon Brownson

State of

Vermont

In Council 22 May Arlington 22 May -

Dear General

I am informed by the bearer hereof Captain
Putnam (who acts in ^{the} capacity of quartermaster) that there

is no supplies of money in his hands to enable him to forward provisions to the troops in the northern department frontiers. and as it is of necessity that such provision be conveyed to the troops. I therefore beg your honor assistance in furnishing money for that purpose.

I am Dear General. Your most Obedt. S^{ty}.
Thomas Chittenden

Brigadier Genl. Stark

Brimington 4 June 1778

State of }
Vermont } In Council date above

To Benjamin Fay Esq^r Sheriff of the County of Brimington

^{of Council}
This day have taken into consideration this day the within petition of David Redding ~~until next Thursday the 11th~~ ~~instant June precisely at the hour of~~ now a prisoner under sentence of death. and do hereby in consequence reprieve him. the said David Redding until Thursday next the 11th instant June. precisely at the hour of two o'clock in the after noon of said day. You are therefore hereby ordered to suspend his execution till time

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden

State of }
Vermont } June 6th 1778

In - You are hereby ordered & directed to forthwith to furnish a guard of ten effective able bodied men, one sergeant, one corporal & eight privates, with arms & ammunition. Compleat to guard the stores & prisoners in said Brimington to remain in service one week unless soon discharged

By order of Governor & Council. Thomas Chandler Jr. Secy

Bennington 6th June 1778

State of {
Vermont { In Council date above-

Voted to allow Capt. Eleazer Allen eight shillings for each man he enlisted into the King's service last fall. Voted to choose a committee to settle accounts with Capt. Eleazer Allen. Chosen. Capt. Robinson & Dr. Spooner for said committee

- June 9th -

Voted to choose a committee to draw a congratulatory letter to Col. Ethan Allen on his arrival from captivity. Chosen Dr. Jonas Fay & Moses Robinson Esq. for said committee

- 9th -

Resolved, that Col. Ethan Allen Esq. is hereby appointed chosen to act in the capacity & do the duty of Attorney in the cause depending between this the United States of America & David Redding a prisoner to be tried this day for enenical conduct against this & said United States

By order of Governor & Council
Thomas Chandler Jr. Secy

Voted to choose a committee to examine the acct. of Nathaniel Dickinson. Chose Dr. Jonas Fay & Dr. Paul Spooner for said committee

Thomas Chandler Jr. Secy

Bennington 12 June 1778

State of Vermont In Council date above

Resolved, that Col. Timothy Bradlee be empowered

and he is hereby empowered to take so much wheat, or
other grain & meat & other provisions (where on enquiry) it can
be found any where ^{within} this State as he may find necessary
to enable him to comply with the request of the Governor, he
paying a reasonable price for the same to the person or persons
from whom he shall receive such grain or other provisions
or otherwise give him or them a receipt for the same

By order of Council

Thos Chandler Jr. Secy.

We the Committee appointed by the honorable
House of Representatives of the State of Vermont to
consider the petition of Mr. John Cannon, have deliberated
thereon, and beg leave to offer our opinions as follows

Viz: That by all that appears ^{it was} our said petition is an honest
man, a very great sufferer, and a proper object of charitable
redress, and ought in justice to have some immediate help
for the relief of his suffering family, but as we are unac-
quainted with the loss he hath been at and how far that
he hath been & still is disabled to help himself & family
we would recommend that there be some proper person
appointed to confer with him and examine
into the matter as to his loss, who thereby may be
better accomplished to affix an adequate donation
to him for his misfortunes, and make report to our
next session, at the same time recommend that
he have twenty pounds paid him out of the Treasury
of this State for the relief of his present necessity

Brunswick June 12, 1778 — By order

Benjamin Bauldwin Clk

To his Excellency & Clerk of Council —

State of Vermont. In Council 12th June 1770

Dear Sir

Your favour of the 14th May is now before me, & I cannot but return you my thanks for the friendly sentiments & communications therein expressed. I have received intelligence that General Gates has ordered all the continental troops at Albany to repair to his camp, agreeable to which they have already marched, by which means this extensive frontier is left but very thinly guarded. Capt Warners regiment, being the only continental troops left in this department, and as there is great danger that while the grand movements are making at the southward, the enemy will endeavour to distress their frontier scouting parties, thereby to divert our attention, and as covering the Grants on this side is a grand security to them on the other side the Green Mountains; and as the connection between this State & a number of towns on the east side of Connecticut river is complicated, should think it would be for the General good that a part of your regiment be sent to Rutland to join those raised here for the present to be under my directions in Council, and accordingly should take it as a favour that after you have sent a hundred men to Albany, agreeable to the request of the General, you will send over such a part of the remains of your regiment as you can spare. I have consulted the Council, & it is their opinion you may spare one hundred men. Your compliance with the above will be a fresh testimony of your attachment to this State, and all accepted by D. Sir your Humble Servant

Thos Chittenden

N.B. Should be glad you would give me the earliest

notice of your compliance, or non-compliance with
the above request

Thos. Chittenden

Col. Bradel —

P.S. It is advised that if you can send any assistance
with your orders from General Gates that you send them
by Onion river, & so on to Rutland, which will serve as a
scout & guard, not only to this but your frontiers, and
to relieve them the same way as often as you think
expedient

J. C.

In Council Bennington 13 June 1778

Sir

Mr. Charles Wright of Parnal. has this day been to
me and informs that you are about to sell the farm
or improvements formerly the property of Samuel Anderson
a John Dovoos, and that he the said Wright claims a
part of said ~~lands~~ improvements, or that when he
had his lands surveyed by Capt Samuel Robinson
it carried part of said improvements, which Capt Samuel
Robinson has now testified to the truth of. You will
therefore desist from selling that part which he
claims at present, until the matter may be further
looked into. from your humble servant

Thos. Chittenden.

To Mr John Burnham —

State of

Vermont } In Council

Bennington 13 June 1778

Sir— You are hereby commanded to cause to be
~~drafted~~ drafted in your Regiment seventy three effective men
(agreeable to an act of the General Assembly of this State
holden at Windsor the 24 day of March last) without

the least delay to see them properly officered and otherwise equipped) and march them to Rutland. where they will receive further orders from the commanding officer at that Post

Sam Sir your Most Obedt Servant
Thos Chittenden

Capt Samuel Hatcher

State of Vermont } In Council Bennington 13th June 1778

Sir - please to deliver the bearer Mr. Jesse Belknap ten pounds of powder for the use of the Militia of Castleton

Thomas Chittenden

To Mr. William Sherman Commissary. Bennington

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To Col: Gideon Warner of the 5th Regiment in this State

Sir - In pursuance of advice of Council and General Assembly of this State. You are hereby ordered to draft 27 ^{ago} good effective men out of your Regiment to be drafted out of ~~this State~~ towns of Dorset. Rupert Sandgate & Manchester. and one Capt. to command them. who will be joined to one hundred men from Col: Herricks Regiment & commanded by Col: Herrick a his Lt. Col. who will march them directly to Rutland for the defence of the frontiers & remain on the ground twenty days unless sooner discharged

Sam. Dear Sir Yours

Thomas Chittenden
Capt. Genl

N.B. by Computation the above number of 27 amounts to every 6th man

Th Chittenden

State of }
Vermont } In Council Bennington 13 June 1778
To Col Samuel Herrick Esq: Capt of the 2^d Regiment in this
State.

In pursuance to the advice of Council and the
General Assembly of this State you are hereby ordered to
draught one hundred and one effective men out of
your regiment. (It being one sixth part of the militia
properly officered, and either take the command of
them yourself or order your Lt. Col. to do it, to be
marched to Rutland, with all speed & join Capt
Brownson's party for the immediate defence of the
frontiers. You are to remain on the ground 10 days
unless sooner discharged. You will take under
your command a part of the militia in Capt Warner
Regiment amounting to 27 men

I am Sir Yours

Josh Chittenden Capt. G.

P.S. The men draughted from this place or Town,
half a pound of powder & two pounds of lead or balls
will be drawn out of the Store in this place town.

State of }
Vermont } In Council Bennington 16th June 1778.
To Mr Samuel Jelles Sir - Pursuant to an order of the
General Assembly of this ~~place~~ State the bearing date the
16th of this instant. You are hereby required to deliver unto
Doct. Jacob Rolack the cow you have in your possession
which belongs to this State, and you are to come to
settle your account relative to said cow with this
Council, and said Dr Rolack is to have the use of

said case during the pleasure of said Council
By order of Governor & Council
Thos. Chandler Jr. Secy.

Barnington 17 June 1778

State of {
Vermont { In Council date above
To the Company of forces in this town

Sir - please to deliver to the bearer Capt. Robinson
Twenty seven pounds of powder and one hundred
and eight pounds of lead, it being to supply 54 of
the militia, (now under marching orders, with each
1/2 lb powder & two of lead. Your compliance will
oblige. Sir yours

Thomas Chittenden, Capt. Genl.

An order given to Timothy Mose in favour of the
town of Wells for 12 pounds of powder & 24 of lead, and 24
flints, on the above company.

The above order returned and not complied with.

State of {
Vermont { In Council Barnington 17 June 1778
Sir

You are hereby ordered and directed to
draw out of the ammunition that is sent to the
northward 7 1/2 pounds powder & 30 lb Bullets, it being
for 15 soldiers that are under your command
to guard said stores to Sutton.

Thomas Chittenden

Capt. Genl.

To Capt. Samuel Robinson

Bennington June " 1770

State of }
Vermont } In Council -

Upon the petition of Lurania McClane
praying to be discharged from her late husband, John McClane
for certain reasons mentioned in her said petition, as by
petition on file may appear, ~~the~~ the said John McClane
being notified did not appear before this Council.
This Council having considered the petition, and the
matter contained therein, with the evidence and the
circumstances, do adjudge that the said Lurania of right
ought to be discharged from the said John McClane,
he is hereby divorced, and therefore resolved and declared
that the said Lurania be discharged from him, the said
John McClane & that she has a good and lawful right
to marry to another man -

Given ^{under} of Council

Thos Chandler Secy

State of Vermont In Council 17 June 1770
To the Honorable General Assembly of the Representatives
of the freemen of said State -

We the Subscribers, beg your honors to appointed a
Committee to examine into the justice of the petition of
William Haviland bearing date June 8th 1770 beg leave
to report to your honors, that it be our opinion according
to the evidence proved both for & against the said W^m
Haviland, that the said William have one half of the
Gristmill & ~~one~~ half of the Mill Stones that are now on
said Mill, & one third of the sawmill, half of the land

he purchasers of Sergt. Henry Walbridge exclusive of
what Mr. Sage bought of Joseph & William Hamilton &
this State Clean John Philips from the premises & pay the
workmen Mr. Rogers, their proper share of the note given
to said Rogers for the money due to him for building
said Mill

Samuel Hathway }
Samuel Robinson } Committee
Jonathan Waldo }

Cost of Committee sitting £4. 10. 0.

Bennington 18 June 1778

To Lt. Col. Walbridge. Sir

You are hereby ordered, and directed to take the
command of the men draughted from Capt. Herricks
regiment consisting of one hundred and one men
officers included, and march them without delay
to Rutland within this State, and in conjunction with
the troops now at that place, under the command of
Capt. Brownson, to guard the frontiers in that quarter
according to the best of your skill in war, for and during
the term of twenty days from arrival at that place unless
sooner discharged, wishing you a good march, am yours

Thos Chittenden
Capt. Genl

Capt. Ebenezer Walbridge —

State of {

Vermont { In Council Bennington June 17th 1778

To Capt. Ebenezer Walbridge Commissioner of Sequestration
Sir. You are hereby directed to give up the deed you

have signed by William Haviland unto the said William Haviland on consideration of the said William Haviland giving a deed to Moses Sage of what part he has granted him by the report of the committee chosen for to settle that affair and also to make a deed to him of the one half of the remaining part of the land improvements & Lands. You are also empowered and directed on your tender the money according to a former judgement of the Grand Committee to called to dispose of John Philips that is now on the premises on the first day of November next

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Govr

In Council Burlington June 17. 1778
To Nathaniel Robinson Esq:

You are hereby authorized & empowered to settle with the committee appointed by a former County Committee in the County of Cumberland to lease the estate of Brian Bush (who is deserted over to the Enemy) and after awarding them reasonable reward for their services to receive the money arising from said leasing and pay the same into the Treasury of this State

By order of Govr. & Council

Thos. Chandler Jr. Secy

In Council Burlington 18 June 1778

Whereas it has been represented to this Council that divers books and other effects forming the property of certain

Brush and others: now with the enemy of the United States of America) are now in the possession of John Church Esq. of Charlestown & the widow Mary Bellows of Walpole, and Whereas we have understood that they are willing to deliver sd. effects to any person properly authorised to receive the same.

We do therefore constitute & appoint Paul Spooner Esq. Commissioner to receive the same in behalf of this State & the United States of America & give his receipt for and to allow a reasonable compensation to said persons for their trouble in storing and securing the same and make due returns of his doings thereon at the next session of Assembly to be holden at Windsor on the second Thursday of October next.

By order of the Governor & Council
Thomas Chandler Jr. Secy

State of }
Vermont } In Council Bennington 15 June 1770
Whereas it has been represented to this Council that divers books and other effects formerly the property of John Peters, now in the hands of the Committee aforesaid, and whereas we have understood that they are willing to deliver sd. effects to any person properly authorised to receive the same. We do therefore constitute and appoint Jacob Bayley Esq. Commissioner to receive the same in behalf of this and the United States of America, and give his receipt therefor and allow a reasonable compensation to said Committee for their trouble in storing and securing the same, and make due returns of

Your doings hereon at the next session of Assembly
to be holden at Windsor on the 2^d Thursday of October
next

By order of Governor & Council
Thomas Chandler Jr. Secy

State of }
Vermont } In Council Bennington 18 June 1777

Voted that Doct. Jonas Fay, Capt. Moses Robinson
& Capt. Ira Allen Esquires be & they are hereby appointed
a committee to inspect into the votes on doings of
the several conventions from — — together with
the doings of the Council of Safety. The present Council
and House of Representatives and put them in
regular order, and record them in books for that
purpose — 2^d Voted that they be impowered to settle
with the several commissioners of sequestration
in the County of Bennington (& vendue masters) and
reapoint them, or others in their room, and to copy
necessary acts to be delivered to the committees —

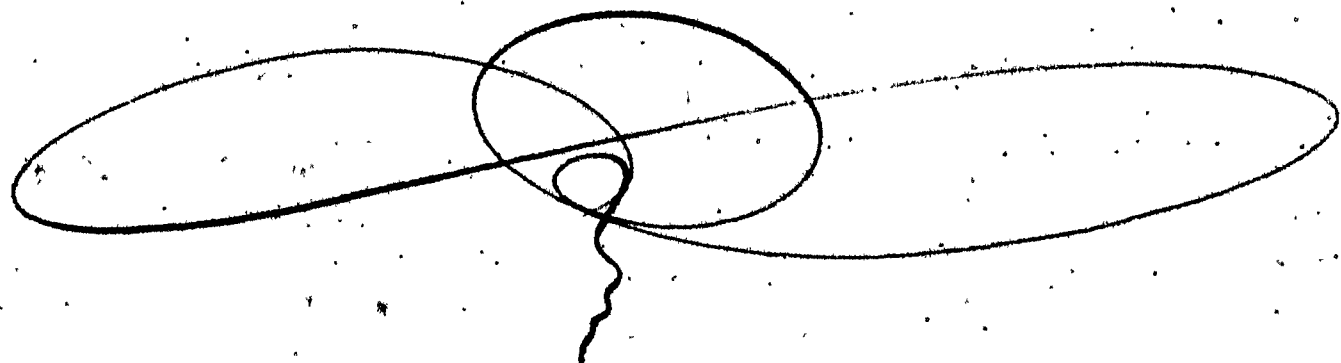
June 24.

Sir - please to deliver to Sergeant Fawcett as
much provisions as two Tory prisoners may want
during their confinement under guard

Wm Pittenden Govr.

To the Company of Spies.

Bennington —



Wilmington 17th July 1778.

State of

Vermont } In Council date above

This Council having taken into their consideration the petition of the inhabitants of Shaftsbury proferred by Bles Walbridge, as also the petition of the inhabitants of Bennington proferred by Capt. John Fapett, setting forth the disaffections of the minds of the petitioners occasioned by the appointment of a certain number of commissioners by the General Assembly of this State, at the last session in June last, and vesting such commissioners with power to learnish within the enemies lines, such person as described in the instructions to such commissioners referring to the above petition & instructions or act.

And as therefore. Resolve, that it be & is hereby recommended to the Commissioners for the County of Bennington, to desist from any further prosecution by virtue of such appointment until the rising of the Session of Assembly in October next, unless necessity in some particular instance or instances should urge this Council, (before that time) to recommend the sitting of said Commissioners to prosecute the business of their appointment, in which case it is hereby recommended that any future trial be by jury if required

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden +

M. Lyon D. Secretary

Arlington 28th July 1778

State of
Vermont }

In Council date above

Resolved that James Breakenridge
Ebenezer Cole & John M. Mel. on petition be and
are hereby required from this, several sentences of
banishment passed on them by the Hon. Court of Sessions
appointed for this purpose by the General Assembly of the
State, until the first day of September next.

By order of Council

Thos Chittenden

M. Lyon Drury

In Council Arlington 22 Aug 1778

Resolved that Jonas Fay, Benjamin Carpenter and
Isa Allen Esqrs. be appointed a committee, & they or any
two of them are appointed fully authorised to adjust
and settle all the pay rolls in Capt. Warner's regiment
of militia for ^{all} past service, when this State have resolved
to give some pay in addition to their Continental
pay. They are also authorised ^{to} adjust and settle
Capt. Lem Goodenough's pay rolls for his service in St.
Capt. Samuel Herrick's regiment of Rangers in the year
1777, and the Treasurer is hereby directed to pay the
several balances ^{that may be} due on the same

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden

State of Vermont

Arlington Aug 29 1778

In Council date above

Whereas James Breakenridge Eben. Cole & John M. Mel.

all of this State, have been sentenced to banishment
within the enemies limits, by the court of commissioners
for that purpose, and for certain reasons have been
reprieved until the first day of Sept. next, and they are
hereby further reprieved until the rising of the General
Assembly at their Session in October next

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Gov

State of Vermont

In Council Arlington 31 September 1778
Major General Marsh is directed to order a muster of
the militia of the County of Cumberland immediately
and return a statement of the men, arms, ammunition,
accoutrements &c. to the Governor of this State

Resolved that one hundred men be ^{forthwith} raised
out of the militia of the County of Bennington to reinforce
the posts on the northern frontiers, & that they continue
in service until the first day of December next unless
sooner discharged

State of

Vermont } In Council date above

Sir - You are hereby commanded to raise seventy
able bodied effective men of your regiment (excluding
officers) and to see that they are well armed and every
way equipped, properly officered, and to march to head
quarters in Rutland, without the least delay, where they
will receive further orders. They will continue in
service until the 1st day of December next (inclusive)
unless sooner discharged — Thomas Chittenden Capt. Genl
To Col. Sam Herriek —

Orders of the same tenor and date sent to Lieut. Warner
to raise thirty men in the towns of Sandgate, Manchester,
Dorset, Rupert and Danlee —

Granted a warrant to Arthur Elsworth
as Quarter master, dated May 1st 1770 —

In Council Windsor 13 October 1770

State of Vermont

Isaiah Marsh Esq^r being objected to as
being a proper person to act as a justice of the peace, by
John & Reuben Parkhurst, by petition. This Council, after hearing
the petition and the parties, also the evidence, on mature
deliberation are of opinion that the objections are not supported.

M. Leon D. S. Gen —

In Council Windsor Oct. 16th 1778

State of Vermont.

Leviabel Mattison having petitioned
for a mitigation of a fine for one hundred pounds & more
which said Mattison was fined by the Special Court for the
County of Bennington, for criminal conduct, some time
— last, resolved that fifty pounds of said fine be remitted
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Robert Johnson appeared before this Council to
answer to the objection against ^{his} having a commission
for Lt. Col. of the 4th regiment, made by Captain Hurd
and others — After hearing the evidence and the parties
this Council are of opinion that the objections is insufficient
whereon Resolved, that Lt. Col. Johnson be commissioned
accordingly

Windsor 9th October 1770
State of Vermont. In Council above
Resolved, that Nathan Lyon be appointed
a Secretary Pro Tempore until Joseph Fay Esq. can attend.

Resolved that the Sheriff be directed to wait
on Capt. Payne, a councillor elected, and request him to
inform this Council relative to his acceptance of
office. That in case of his refusal the vacancy thereby
occasioned may be supplied.

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In consequence of Elisha Payne Esq. (who was ^{duely} elected
a member of this Council for the present year) his
declining such service the Council have chosen
Benjamin Emmons Esq. to the office of councillor in
his room who has taken the necessary qualifications
required by Constitution

Windsor October 20th 1770
State of }
Vermont } In Council above -
On petition of Ruth Chamberlin praying she
may be divorced from her husband Amos Chamberlin
as may be seen by petition on file. This Council
after hearing the petition and the evidence on
mature deliberation are of opinion that she may
be and is hereby divorced from her said husband
and a bill be granted her accordingly.

A list of the Justices of the Peace chosen and
authorised by virtue of an act of Assembly at Bennington
June 17th 1778 -

Parnall, Capt. Eli Noble
Bennington, Capt. Saml. Robinson
Shaftsbury, _____
Arlington, Capt. John Tappett Jr.
Sunderland, Capt. Sim. Brownson
Manchester, Martin Powell
Dorset, Abm Underhill
Rupert, Reuben Harmon
Paillet, _____

Sumnerston, Jon. Knight
Chester, Daniel Hild
Windsor, Thomas Cooper
Hartford, Elias Wild
Orford, Capt. Israel Morey
Leicester, Mr. Wheatley
Cornish, Mr. Repley
Dresden, Belshub Woodward
Westminster, Nathl. Robinson
Corinth, John Putting, N. Fish

Judges of Probate in this State

Bennington District
Capt John Tappett
Manchester District
Martin Powell Esq
Putland District
Joseph Barker Esq

Danby _____
Tremont, Capt. Gid. Warner
Wallingford, Abm Jackson Jr
Wells _____
Paultery, Wm Ward
Eastleton, Jeph Belknap
Clarendon, Nathaniel Anger
Putland, Ben Whipple
Pittsford _____
Pampet, Ino W. Dana
Putney, Amos Hale
Thetford, Jime Bartholomew
Barnard, Asa Whitecomb
Rockingham, Joshua Wild
Hartford, Joshua Hazen
Guldford, Capt. Lev Goodnough
Halifax, Hebal Wells & Horri
Dawnson, Jas. Tyler

Newbury District
Genl. Jacob Bayley
Hartford District
Paul Spooner Esq
District
Major Ino. Shepherson

Windsor October 20th 1778.

State of }
Vermont } In Council date above

Resolved that Schubert Walker be allowed to have the twenty-acre lot of land, which was formerly his property in Rutland, at the expiration of the lease, by which John Smith and Asa Fuller now hold it.

By order of Governor & Council
M. Lyon, D. S. P. Secy.

In Council Windsor October 23 1778

David Remington, upon his personal appearance and application, and taking the oath of allegiance to this State & upon recommendation of Capt Jonathan Samuel Esq. & Mr. Thomas Hall (in whose neighborhood he has lived for about eleven months past) is hereby allowed the liberty and privilege of living in the County of Cumberland in this State, and he may acquire, hold, buy and transfer property therein.

By order of Gov. & Council
M. Lyon, D. S. P. Secy.

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On petition of Anna Evans is relieved from the sentence of banishment passed against her by the Hon. Court of Commissioners in the month of July last, and she is discharged on her paying the cost.

By order of Gov. & Council
M. Lyon, D. S. P. Secy.

Arlington November 24th 1778.

State of Vermont. Then appeared Joseph Fay Esq and took the necessary oath to qualify him for the office of Secy of this State.
Attest M. Lyon, D. S. P. Secy. - Before me, Thos. Chittenden

State of }
Vermont } In Council Windsor 26 October 1778

Watts Hubbert, under sentence of imprisonment
requesting this Council for liberation. Therefore.

Resolved, that on his making and subscribing a proper
acknowledgement, and paying all the cost, that has arisen
on acct. of his former trials, guards, & imprisonments, & taking the
oath of allegiance to this State, he be discharged and enjoy
all his estate, except what has already been taken from him
and sold

J. Oran

Thomas Chittenden Govr

The end of the proceedings of Council for the Year 1778

Attest Joseph Fay Secretary

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Journals of Council, at their Sessions

Held at Bennington,
February 11th, 1779—

State of }
Vermont } In Council 11 February 1779
This day his Excellency Governor Chittenden
and the following members of the Honorable Council
met in the Council Chamber in this place according
to adjournment. (viz.)

The Hon ^{le} Joseph Parker.	Benjamin Carpenter
Paul Spooner.	James Robinson
Tim ^o Brownson.	Jeremiah Clark
<u>Jonas Fay</u>	<u>Ira Allen Esq^{re}</u>

After debating on the necessary ~~articles~~
business to be done, adjourned to go off to
tomorrow morning —

Bennington 12th Feb^y 1779—

Met according to adjournment

Resolved, that a Committee of two be appointed to join
a Committee from the House of Assembly, to confer with
them, and make a draft of a bill to be framed into a
resolution relative to the union of sixteen towns east of
Connecticut River, and report the same. (Members chose
Mr. Fay and Mr. Spooner —

A petition from the inhabitants, to the Hon. General Assembly of Vermont, being sent up for evidence advised and read. Resolved, to send one member of Council to inform the House, that the Gov. & Council are of opinion, that the report of the Committee of last October be accepted, but no deeds executed until the proper lines of the town can be ascertained. Member chosen, Mr. Allen -

A petition and remonstrance of Tim. Spaulding by the Assembly referred to the Gov. & Council for settlement, on examination found due 57 dollars -

A petition, or remonstrance of Joseph Nelson, being referred to Council for settlement, was ordered to lay on the table. Petition answered and no damage allowed -

Voted to choose one member of Council to join the Committee from the House, to take into consideration the petition of Capt. Ebenezer Allen & others. Member chosen Mr. Carpenter.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow -

Saturday 13th February 1779.

Met according to adjournment -

An account laid before Council by St. Samuel Bradley, on examination found due -

Voted to choose a committee of 4 to examine the claim of Capt. Ebenezer Allen, Members chosen, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Spooner, Mr. Allen & Mr. Baubee. The business of the day being referred, adjourned to Monday 10 o'clock -

Monday 15 Feb. 7. 1779.

Met according to adjournment.

The committee chosen to examine the claims of Captain Eben^r Allen, report as follows, viz: That he the said Allen requires a paymaster to be appointed, whereupon, Resolved, that Isaac Allen Esq^r be and he is hereby appointed as pay master, to settle and pay the soldiers of Captain Ebenezer Allen's company of Rangers for service done in the defence of the northern frontiers of this State in the year 1777—

The committee chosen to join a committee from the House to prepare a bill relative to the union of sixteen towns (East of Connecticut river) with this State, returned and brought in their report as will appear on the Journals of the House —

To Michael Dunning commissioner of sequestration
You are hereby directed to continue in the possession of a lot of land formerly the property of Adam Deal late of Pownal, by giving a new lease thereof to some suitable person, before the 1st day of April next.

By order of Court & Council

Joseph Fay, Secy.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow —

Tuesday 16 Feb. 1779—

Met according to adjournment.

Rec^d The following bill from the House — In General Assembly 16. Feb. 1779. Voted & Resolved that it be recommended, and it is hereby recommended to the Hon. Court of Confiscation, to make confiscation & sale of

The estates laying in Cumberland County, forming the property of persons who have joined the enemies of this and the United States of

By order M. Lyon, clerk,
True copy Jas. Fay secy.

The committee appointed to join a committee from the House to take into consideration the petition of Capt. Elon Allen, report as may appear on the journals of the House.

Resolved that a committee be appointed to draw rules to be observed for the better government and regulation of the Council while sitting. members chosen Mr. Fay, Mr. Allen.

Having received a number of laws, and prepared them to lay before the General Assembly, voted to adjourn to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Wednesday 17 Feb. 1779. Met according to adjournment and again entered on the revision of laws to prepare them to lay before the General Assembly.

Resolved, to choose a committee of one, to join a committee of the House, to take into consideration the affair of the soldiers of Capt. Elon Allen's company not being paid. member chosen - M. Clark.

The committee appointed to join a committee from the House, to take into consideration the affair of Capt. Eleazer Allen's company, as by the journals of the House.

Voted that the blank of the business to give a committee of the
House to take into consideration (and make report) the
of the proprietors of Panama, reported as may appear in the
Journals of the House 20 Feb. 1779. Having refused the
business of the day, adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning

Friday February 24th 1779. Had according to adjournment, & proceeded
to the business of the day viz. receiving business and preparing them
lay before the General Assembly having refused private
business until some convenient time which day is appointed to do
my business excepting to be done. Adjourned to 8 o'clock
to morrow

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appear. Having referred the business of the day adjourned
to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning—

Thursday 18 Feb. 1779. Met according to adjournment

On application made to the Govr. & Council by the wife
of William Fairfield (his having repaired to the enemy)
requesting the improvement of the land formerly the
property of said Fairfield. for the support of herself and
family. whereupon Resolved. that she have the improve-
ment of two 51 acre lots, viz: that which she now dwells on
and one on the opposite side of the road (on the north side)
for the Year ensuing

J^r order Joseph Fay Secy

Resolved that Mr. Fay & Mr. Baubler of the Council
join a committee from the House to take into consid-
eration the petition of Capt. Ebenezer Allen— Report
as by the journals of the House may appear 19 Feb. 1779—

Voted Mr. Dawson a committee to join a committee
from the House to take into consideration the petition
of Capt. William Hutchins & others. report as on the
journals of the House may appear 19 Feb. 1779. Having
referred the business of the day adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow
morning— (The contents of this slip goes in here)

Saturday 20 Feb'y 20th 1779

Met according to adjournment and proceeded to the
business of revising the Laws &c. Voted to choose a
committee from the House one to join a committee
from the House to take into consideration the petition

of Tom? Everit & Eli Everit and report their opinion thereon to the House. The report as may appear on the Journals of the House of this days date—

Mr. Underwood Sir, You are hereby directed to keep possession of the land formerly the property of Roger Dickinson until further orders from this ^{or absolute} Council

By order of Gov & Council
Joseph Fay Secy.

Copy to Mr. Underwood —

Having closed the business of the day adjourned to 9 o'clock Monday next.

Monday 22 February 1779.

Met according to adjournment & proceeded to the business of revising laws and preparing them to lay before the General assembly.

Resolved to appoint a committee of two to join a committee from the House. to take into consideration the state of our frontiers and report the same to the House. Members chosen, Mr Bowler & Mr. Spooner. Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow —

Tuesday 23 February 1779. met according to adjournment and proceeded to business, revising laws &c —

The committee appointed to join a committee from the House to take into consideration the state of our frontiers, returned and ~~and~~ report as may appear on the journals of the House of this day. date —

Voted to choose a committee of one to join a committee from the House, to take into consideration the petition of Sergeant John Train, relative to paying him & the soldiers, who served under the command of Capt. Isaac Clark in the year 1779, and report as may appear on the journals of the House. Member chosen Mr Carpenter -

Voted to choose one as a committee to join a committee from the House, to concert a plan for raising 200 men for the defence of this State. Member chosen Mr Clark -
Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow

Wednesday 24 Feb. 1779. Met according to adjournment Upon which was motioned to join the House, and resolve into a committee of the whole, to take into consideration the State of our northern frontiers, which was accordingly done, having adjourned the committee. Proceeded to take into consideration the petition of Arthur Bostwick praying some consideration for sheep belonging to him and sold for the benefit of the State, having considered the same Resolved, that the evidence to prove the sheep sold (as alleged in the petition) is not sufficient, therefore the petition is dismissed
Attest Joseph Fay Secy

Having taken into consideration the complaint of Capt Samuel Robinson, against Abraham Osbury for breaking his parole, and having heard and duly considered the case with every attending circumstance do judge the said Osbury guilty of breaking his parole to the

said Robinson. therefore order the thes^d Treasury to
pay the cost arising therefrom. which is thirty dollars &
to remain under the care of S. Robinson until this judgement
be complied with. and then accounted

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

Taken into consideration the petition of James Fletcher
praying some consideration for service done this State and
expense of sickness &c. whereupon resolved to allow and
order paid one months wages which is found due

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

Having taken into consideration the petition of Daniel
Mattison, heard and duly considered the case with every
attending circumstance relative thereto. do judge and
order that twenty pounds &c is hereby remitted of the
fifty pounds of which he now stands bound to pay according
to the judgement of the special court. the above
judgement is complied with and money paid to the
treasurer accordingly

Attest Joseph Fay Secretary

Having taken into consideration the ~~petition~~ case of John
McKiel who prays for some relief for his family. therefore
Resolved, to allow him one hundred and thirty dollars
to purchase one cow for the use of his family. and that
all the little notes in the hands of Capt. Coghorn. together
with one note signed Nathaniel Dickey. on which is
due about ten pounds. the obligation furnish his property
for sheep at Salisbury. and the leather left in the hands of
Maj. Stephen Rogers. or the value thereof in money

Attest Joseph Fay Secy

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow, at which time the committee of the whole are to join again.

Thursday 25 Feb. 1779

Met according to adjournment. and took into consideration the petition of James Fletcher praying pay for service done in the militia of this State, whereupon resolved, that one months pay be allowed him by the Treasurer of this State.

Having taken into consideration of Widow Abigail French & Anna Walker & not finding sufficient proof to satisfy the Council, resolved to dismiss the petition.

On petition of Michael Dunning for the farm, formerly the property of Amos Dunning his son, for the support of his sons & children &c. whereupon resolved that John Burnham Esq. be & he is hereby directed to sell the said lands to the said Dunning, taking his obligations on interest payable in one year after date.

I am directed by the Gov. & Council to assign to furnish the wife and family of Capt. Rogers with as much corn as will be necessary to support them, also to desire you to settle with the Treasurer as soon as may be.
p^r order Joseph Jay secy.

Wth Capt. John Simons.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Friday 26 Feb. 1779 - Met according to adjournment
Sr. I am directed to desire you to sell the farm formerly the property of Amos Dunning, now the

property of this State to Michael Dunning, upon condition that he will give as much as it is really worth or as much as it will sell for to any other person taking his obligation on interest payable one year after date for the same -

By order of Gov. & Council
Joseph Jay Esq.

To John Burnham Jr. Esq.

Voted. Ira Allen Esq. to go to New Hampshire to carry a letter to the Hon. Nathaniel Ware Esq. President of Council and transact any ^{other} business necessary to be done

Voted Jonas Jay Esq. to go to General Washington & New Hampshire

Resolved. that Jonas Jay & Moses Robinson be and they are hereby appointed to draught a Proclamation to be published at the same time when the laws are printed and circulated throughout the State, also that his excellency with them prepare the laws for the press -

Voted Col^l Allen to visit on General Washington to acquaint him with the situation of affairs relative to the defence of the northern ~~department~~ ^{other} frontier of this State

Resolved. that Fifty non-commissioned officers and soldiers, together with proper officers be raised out of the militia of this State for the defence of the northern frontier of the same, to continue in service in service until the first day of May next unless sooner

discharged - 30 men are to be raised out of Colonel
Herriks regiment, & 20 out of Capt. Fletchers regiment.

Warrant given John Benjamin Esq Sheriff, to oblige
Watts Hubbard, to pay and satisfy the judgement
of Council in October last, at Winnsboro, or confine him
to certain limits, and in case he, the said Hubbard
break over said limits, on conviction thereof before
any Justice of the peace, to whip him on the naked
back, not exceeding 20 stripes nor short of 10 stripes.

Adjourned until tomorrow 9 o'clock

Saturday 27th Feb. 1779 -

Met according to adjournment
Sir. In consequence of a letter received from you, in-
forming of some encroachments of the enemy, I have
wrote Genl. Clinton, informing him of the same. His
answer you have inclosed, upon which I have ordered
fifty men to be raised to join you, to continue in
service until the first day of May next, unless sooner
discharged, and am directed to desire Capt. Smith
to continue with his men, until relieved by the abo-
mentioned men to be raised. You will inform
me from time to time of the situation of your post
and the particular movements of the enemy.

I am Sir, Your Humble Servant

Thos. Pittenger

To Capt. Isaac Brownson

Sir, I am, directed by the General Assembly to write to
you requesting, requesting you with the men under you

command to continue at the post at Rutland fourteen days from the 26th instant. This is therefore to request you to comply therewith, others will relieve and supply your place at that time. I depend on it the frontiers will not be left to leave at any future time as they now are, so long as there shall be occasion for a guard there. I have written to Capt Brimmonson, which I expect he will communicate to you.

Thos Chittenden -

To Capt. John Smith -

Letter to Joseph Bumpus Esq:

I am directed by Council to desire you to make a settlement (in behalf of this State) with Capt. James Meade relative to the mare & colt in dispute between him & Edward Bumpus, and whatever is found due. ^{the same} pay to said
By order Joseph Fay secy.

Voted Capt. Moses Robinson to draft a constitution
Proclamation for a general fast throughout the State.

Voted Joseph Fay Esq. in lieu of Capt. Ethan Allen to wait on General Washington to acquaint him with the situation of the northern frontiers of this State.

Sir, as it is uncertain whether Mattison & Lees place will fall into Clarinda or be States land, you will not sell it to any person at present but lease it out to Mr. Samuel Roberts & his brothers for the present year.

By order of Governor & Council
Joseph Fay, Secy.

To Capt. James Blachorn -

Voted that Moses Robinson, Samuel Robinson Esq & Thomas Fay Esq; a committee to settle Mr. Ambrose Hall's account against the State -

Voted that his Excellency the Governor be directed to give orders to Capt. Fitch. to furnish the wines of David Castle & Elijah Benedict of ~~Paulet~~ with one can each. during the pleasure of Council.

Voted the judges of the special Court be allowed 2 dollars per day for the trial of David Redding who was executed in this place in June last -

Voted & Resolved that the widow Wright be released from paying the rent of the farm she lived on last year. The same entered on her petition to this Council. & sent back to the said widow at Shaftsbury -

To John Benjamin Esq; Sheriff. Sir -

You are hereby directed to suspend the execution of the sentence of banishment against Jites Simonas until the session of Council & Assembly in June next and you will keep him to labour to pay for his support until that time, within the town of Windsor. on penalty of his being whipped not exceeding 40 stripes, on the naked back on his leaving said town

pr. order. Joseph Fay Esq

The End of 3rd Session 1779

Joseph Fay Esq.

Birmingham 5 March 1779

Sir - yours of yesterday's date by Lt. Butterfield I recd. this morning and am very sorry the troops raised for the defence of the northern frontiers are delayed for want of provisions. I enclose you a copy at large of a letter received from Genl. Clinton by which you will learn that I am fully authorized to raise such men and naturally implies that they are to be supported out of the continental store which I trust you will deliver as soon as you obtain this knowledge. I will be answerable if any blame shall come against you on that account

I am your Hum^d Servant

Thomas Chittenden

Enoch Woodbridge Esq^r C. I. -

Birmingham 5 March 1779

Copy of a letter to Genl. Washington

Sir - I am directed by my Council and the General Assembly of this State to recommend to your Excellency the present unhappy situation of the inhabitants of the northern frontiers of this State, and to pray your Excellency's interposition for their future relief. The contiguous situation of those inhabitants to the enemy has rendered their safety peculiarly uncertain from the first commencement of the present war; the many alarms occasioned by the repeated approaches of the enemy, have kept its inhabitants in such a frustrating condition as has rendered it impracticable for them to have secured any considerable supplies of provisions for their families.

beforehand. The encroachments of the Army under the command of Lt. General Burgoyne into this State in the year 1777, their daring attempts to destroy this town and the public stores there deposited here, commanded the attention as well as the most vigorous exertions of those inhabitants, and altho' there was then very plentiful crops of grain, corn & hay &c on the ground, yet by reason of the enemy the inhabitants were prevented from securing any considerable part of it. That by their continuing in service for the purpose of reducing General Burgoyne to a submission, the season of the year was so far advanced as to put it out of the power of those inhabitants to make the necessary preparations for a crop of winter grain, on which they have ever had their greatest dependence since the first settlement of this part of the country - They are therefore principally reduced to an indian corn in scant proportion to the number of their families and by the destruction of their sheep by the enemy, their loss of them otherwise, as well as their fleeces, their backs and bellies are become co-sufferers -

In this deplorable situation, may it please your Excellency, they remain firm and unshaken and being generally well armed and accoutred, are ready on any sudden emergency, and on the shortest notice, to face and encounter their inveterate foe undaunted. But on viewing their present circumstances, it may be your excellency may be prevailed on to make such provisions for the security of the frontiers of this State (which is no less to three other States) as may

prevent the fatal necessity of those inhabitants
being continued in constant service the ensuing summer.
With this will be communicated a copy of a letter
from Genl. Clinton of the 25th ult: by which your
Excellency will perceive his readiness to grant any
relief in his power. In consequence of this letter
I have ordered the continuance of the company of
militia therein named, and an addition of 50
men, exclusive of commissioned officers to join
them immediately. If after all that has been
exhibited on this subject, it should be found inconve-
nient to adopt any other measure in the case, I desire
an order may be granted for the subsistence & pay
of such officers & soldiers as may be found necessary
to raise from time to time within this State, for the
purpose aforesaid. The bearer hereof, Joseph Fay Esq^r
in whose attachment to the common cause, your
excellency may repose the greatest confidence, will
be able to give any further intelligence in the premises
and patiently await any advice or directions your
excellency may please to communicate.

I am, Sir, your Excellency's most
Obedient and very Humble Servant

Thomas Chittenden

His Excellency General Washington

(Copy attest)

Joseph Fay Esq^r

Millington 6th March 1779

Sir - Your kind favour of the 25 ult. came to hand, and in consequence of your advice I have ordered the continuance of ~~your advice~~ the company of Militia, and an addition of fifty men more of the militia of this State (exclusive of commissioned officers) who will march this day to join Capt. Brauns commandant at Rutland -

This may serve to secure the frontier inhabitants for the present, but as the Lakes are now open, which affords an opportunity for the immediate advances of the enemy's armed vessels - such security is only temporary and a great force will forthwith be necessary to prevent the inhabitants from moving with their families, and such of their effects as may be able to bring with them - I sincerely thank you for the redress which you have hitherto shown on occasions to communicate any relief in your power for those distressed inhabitants and desire you'd please to accept the same, and in the mean time beg to know what further assistance you can afford them.

I have no disposition to trouble His Excellency Genl. Washington or Congress on the subject is any thing short can secure the inhabitants, but their daily application to me makes it necessary that I bear their case in mind, and continue my application in their behalf until (if possible) I obtain relief from them. The bearer hereof Joseph Fay Esq. in whom you may confide, will be ready to give you any further intelligence in the premises in his power.

I wish to be indulged with an immediate answer to this, that I may be the better enabled to know

what method will be advisable for me to pursue
next for relief

I am Sir your most Obedt. Hum^d. Servant
Thomas Chittenden -

Brigadier Genl. Clinton

Bernington 10th March 1779

Sir - Your favour of the 5th of November last was
seasonably ~~delivered~~ ^{received} me by Ira Allen Esq. I have purposed
omitted an answer until the General Assembly at their
present session should be able to direct me in what
manner I might be warranted to do it. which I
find can not be done more explicitly done than by
enclosing their resolution for dissolving the union (so
called) with sixteen towns east of Connecticut river,
which I have inclosed. The laws of this State are now
nearly gotten for the press, and will be immediately
printed and circulated among the inhabitants, the
execution of which I flatter myself will prove sufficient
to quiet any disturbances among the inhabitants west
of the Connecticut river; but as those on the east side
(who have been heretofore considered as being united
with this State) are ^{few} with some disaffected persons
on the west side of Connecticut River are creating fears
and jealousies, to the disturbance of New Hampshire as
well as this State. Your wisdom ^{therefore} in quelling those disturbances
east of the river will doubtless prove sufficient

The bearer, Ira Allen Esq. who is appointed to command
this will be able to give any further intelligence in the matter
The Hon. Meshech Weir } I am Sir with sentiments of esteem your most Obedt.
Esq. President of Council } Hum^d. Servant, Tho^s. Chittenden

In Council Arlington 12 March 1779
Sir - You are hereby directed to deliver over the south
hundred acres of ~~land~~ the farm formerly in the possession
of Jeremiah French, to John Tapscott Jr. Esq. Commissioner
of Sales of Land

Thomas Chittenden
Martin Samuel Esq. Esq. Requisition -
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Sir - You are hereby directed to make application
to Martin Powell Esq. of Manchester for the south
hundred acres of the farm formerly the property
in possession of Jeremiah French, in which said Man-
chester, & take the same into possession which you
will keep until you have further orders from this
Council

Thomas Chittenden
To Capt. John Tapscott Esq. C. of Sales of Land -

Council adjourned until the 4th Wednesday
of April next to meet at the house of his excellency
Thomas Chittenden in this town

Attest M Lyon D. J. P. T. -

Arlington April 29th 1779

Whereas the General Assembly of this State at their
Session held at Bennington the 23rd day of February
last, did resolve that all those persons who were
sentenced to banishment by virtue of an act of
assembly passed in June 1770. and yet remain on

this State after the first day of May 1779, unless
pardoned or reprieved by the Governor & Council, that
such person or persons be whipped not exceeding
40 stripes, and continued weekly -

And whereas the day to give the said persons
a hearing for a pardon or reprieve, being come, and
James Breakenridge, Ebenezer Cole, & John M. Niel,
appearing and made their request and plea & there
not being a sufficient number of the Council
present, the said persons have not had a determination
according to the intention of the assembly. We therefore
recommand it to all concerned, that their punishment
be suspended until a decree of the Council be obtained
in the premises

per order Joseph Jay, Secy. -

In Council Wilmington April 30th 1779

Whereas it appears to this Council that Mary Hawley,
widow of Abel Hawley, late of Sunderland, an enmied person
deceased, & his estate confiscated, and that the commissioners of sales
of such estates, has omitted allowing her, the sd. Mary, a cov. as has
been the usual custom in such cases - therefore;

Resolved that the Treasurer be directed to pay unto the
said Mary, one hundred and eight dollars out of the public
Treasury of this State in lieu of all other allowances -

April 30th 1779

Upon the representation of Capt. Gideon Warner, a person
wounded in the service, that the Hon. the Congress of the
United States, did in the month of August last 1779 resolve
an allowance should be made as a compensation to such

officers and soldiers as have or should in future be wounded, or maimed in the service of the United States part of which allowance was made to him by the General Assembly of this State at their session in June last. and praying a further allowance at this time. therefore;

Resolved that the Treasurer be directed to pay Capt. Gideon Warner one hundred and twenty pounds out of the public Treasury of this State, and that the said Gideon Warner to account with the Treasurer for such part of said sum (if any) as may appear to be over the sum allowed by Congress.

The following is a copy of a resolve of the General Assembly

In General Assembly June 2^d 1779

Noted & resolved that Mr. Harris, Mr. Webb & Col. Strong be and are hereby appointed a committee to wait on his Excellency the Governor and the Hon^{ble}. Members of the Council present and give them the thanks of this Assembly for their raising and sending the posse ~~comitatus~~ Comitatus into Cumberland County being in ~~May~~ last for the purpose of apprehending the rioters. who were tried at Westminster

J. Order. M. Lyon Clerk

Copy attested

Joseph Jay Secy. -

In Council Windsor June 3^d 1779

As you are hereby required to call the male inhabitants of the town of Whitingham between the age of 16 & 60. you or such as have a right to ~~have~~ vote for the

change of militia officers, to meet at some convenient
time and place in said town to be by you appointed as
soon as may be, and to lead them to the choice of a captain
one Lieutenant & one ensign, and make returns of the persons
thus chosen to this board in order to their being duly commissioned.

By order of Gov. & Council
Jonas Fay Secy. P.T.

St. Silas Hamilton

In Council Windsor June 8th 1779
Voted & resolved that Jonas Fay Esq. be & is hereby appointed
Secretary P.T. —

Sir— You are hereby directed to convene such of the
inhabitants of New Town as are qualified by law to vote
for militia officers, to meet at some convenient place
time and place in said town, to be by you appointed
and lead them to the choice of one captain, one Lt. one Ensign
and return their names to this board as soon as may
be, in order to their being duly commissioned.

P. order. Jonas Fay Secy. P.T.

Resolved, that Mr. Stephen R. Bradley be, and he is
hereby appointed to prepare, and bring in to this board
as soon as may be, a draft of a proclamation to be
issued by his Excellency in regard to the disaffected in-
habitants of the County of Cumberland.

By order of Gov. & Council
Jonas Fay Secy. P.T.

Resolved that Mr. Sellen & Mr. Carpenter be and
they are hereby appointed a committee to adjust accounts
with Mr. Elden Spooner, printer
-4th-

On the representation of Mr. Timothy Bartholomew, that
the children of James Mann late of Thetford, an enemy
person deceased, were suffering for the necessities of life,
an order is therefore issued to Joseph Horford commissioner
of sequestration for the rent of D Mann Farm, the present
year, to be appointed for the relief of said children
Attest Jonas Fay Secy. P.T.

Windsor 4th June 1779

State of }
Vermont } In Council at the above

Sir - You are hereby directed to take the wife and
family of Titus Simonds, and to transport them to
the officer commanding ~~officer~~ at Rutland consulting
him in some method to transport ^{the} family within the
enemies lines in Canada

By order of the Governor & Council
Jonas Fay Secy. P.T.

To Capt. Simonds of Andover
-4th-

Sir -

You are hereby commanded to confirm to
Mr. Moses Evans of Hartford, the bargain you
have entered into, with respect to the rent of a part of
the farm formerly the property of Zadock Wright Esq.
now the property of this State, and receive the rent

of said Evans for the use of this State you to be accountable.

You are likewise ordered to confirm to Mrs Sarah Wright, wife to the aforesaid Zadoch Wright Esq. the improvement of the seven acres of plowing, sowing of mowing and the pasturing of three cows, her sheep and one horse free of rent for this year - also the privilege of following any quantity of said farm not leased as aforesaid and tanning the same this season for her own and her families use

By order of Council

Jonas Fay Secy. R.

To Paul Spooner Esq. -

In Council Windsor 4th June 1779

Resolved that Mr. Emmons, Mr. Spooner and Mr. Allen, be & they are hereby appointed a committee to settle the accounts exhibited by Mr. Robinson and order payment of what shall be found due -

4th

Resolved that Mr. Noah Smith be and he is hereby appointed a Paymaster for the militia agreeable to a resolution of the General Assembly of this State of the 22^d of February last and his Excellency is hereby directed to give him a warrant accordingly -

Windsor 12 June 1779.

Resolved. that Lieut. Ethan Allen and the Hon. Jonas Fay Esq. be and they are hereby appointed directed to wait on the Hon. the Grand Council of America as soon as

may be, and they and each of them are hereby recom-
mended to that Honorable board to do and transact
any business that concerns the state of Vermont

By order of the Gov: Council
Joseph Fay secy

Copy of a letter to Asa Douglas Esq.

In Council Arlington 29th July 1779.

Sir - I have laid before my Council the matter
relative to the claims you mention the natives have
to this part of the County, but they being in some mea-
sure unacquainted with the justice of their claim, they
thought it most proper that a matter of such
consequence should be laid before the General
Assembly of this at their next session, on the second
Thursday of November next to be held at Manchester,
at which time and place you probably can have an
opportunity to exhibit their claims, and in the mean-
time I am, Sir your Humble Servant.
Thomas Chittenden.

Arlington 29th July 1779

State of }
Vermont } In Council

The Council having taken into consideration
the petition of Abel Spencer, Joseph Randell and
Abraham Stewart, praying that part of a fine laid on
them (severally) of one thousand pounds by the superior
Court, might be relinquished, and thereupon resolve
that five hundred pounds be relinquished of said fine.

By order of Council Joseph Fay secy. P. 2m -

In Council Arlington 31st July 1779

Resolved that the Hon. Jonas Fay & Paul Spooner Esqrs. two of the agents appointed by the General Assembly of this State at their Session in February last to transact the political business of this State with the Honorable the Congress of the United States of America. be and they are hereby instructed to repair to that Hon. Board, as soon as may be and request copies of such letters and the Resolutions passed thereon in Congress (which relate to the affairs of this State) as they or either of them may judge necessary, and they are further to request a copy of the report of the committee appointed by Congress the first day of June last "to repair to the inhabitants of a certain district known by the name of the New Hampshire Grants." and to transact any other business that concerns this State, which they may find necessary.

By order of the Governor & Council
Joseph Fay Secy



Manchester 14th October 1779.

State of

Vermont: At a meeting of Governor, Council & General Assembly, convened at Manchester date above -

Present. His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq. and the following members of the Honorable Council

Joseph Barker Esq.

Jeremiah Clark

Timothy Brownson -

Ira Allen

Jonas Fay

Benjamin Emmons

Moses Robinson

Paul Spooner Esq.

Voted that a committee consisting of five members viz: Jonas Fay, Timothy Brownson, Moses Robinson, Joseph Barker & Ira Allen Esq. are appointed to join a committee of the Lower House, who are to receive, read and count the votes of the Freeman of this State, and declare those who are appointed to the several offices of Governor & Deputy Gov. & Treasurer and Councillors or assistants for the year ensuing.
J: Order Jas. Fay Secy -

A Committee consisting of six members of the House of Assembly are appointed to join the above named committee viz: John Tapett Jr. Esq., Amos Robinson Esq., Capt. Mather Lyon, Thomas Chandler, Samuel Fletcher and Nathan Clark Esq. Having executed the business of their appointment the following persons are declared to be chosen, viz: His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq. Governor - His Honor Benjamin Carpenter Lt. Governor - The Hon^{ble} Joseph Barker, Moses Robinson, Jonas Fay, Timothy Brownson, Benjamin Emmons, Paul Spooner, Jeremiah Clark, Samuel Fletcher, Ira Allen.

John Thraap, John Tapett Jr. & Thomas Chandler Jr. Council
and Ira Allen Esquire Treasurer -

Meeting concluded the business of the day adjourned
to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning

Friday 15 October 1779

Not according to adjournment

A committee from the Assembly was appointed
to join a committee from the Council to prepare an
answer to the Governors speech to said Assembly viz
John Tapett Jr. Esq. Reuben Jones Esq. and Nathan Clark
Voted Jonas Fay & Moses Robinson Esq. a committee to join
the said committee for the above said purpose -

Voted Jonas Fay, Ira Allen, & Paul Spooner Esquires to
join a committee of the Assembly to form the outlines
of a plan to be pursued for defence before Congress against
the neighbouring States in consequence of a late act of
that body for that purpose and make report thereon to
this Council.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow -

Manchester October 16th 1779

Not according to adjournment.

Voted his Hon Benjamin Carpenter Esq. and
Benjamin Emmons Esq. to join a committee from the
Assembly to examine the petition of Benjamin Dorchester
and make report. Having concluded the business of
the day.

Adjourned to Monday next

2 O'Clock afternoon. Monday 18 October 1779
Not according to adjournment.

Voted that the Committee appointed from the Council to take into consideration the matter concerning the estate of Capt. James Rogers, late of Kent in this State (now with the enemy) be discharged, and that the same be laid before the General Assembly for their determination.

By order Joseph Fay Secy -
Adjourned to 8 o'Clock tomorrow

Tuesday 19 October 1779.

Not according to adjournment.

Voted Paul Spooner Esq. to join a committee from the Assembly to nominate a Board of War. Voted the Hon Benjamin Commons & Joseph Barber Esqrs. to join a committee from the Assembly to prepare an act directing the Secy of State in his office and duty.

Voted that Isaac Allen Esq. be and he is hereby directed to write a letter to John Simonds Commissioner of Sequestration in Andover, to request him to make immediate settlement with the Treasurer of this State.

Attest Joseph Fay Secy,

Voted that Ephraim Knap of Arlington who has lately been under restraint by reason of enemical conduct be and he is hereby liberated.

Voted Jeremiah Clark & Samuel Fletcher a committee to join a committee of the Assembly to enquire of Mr. M'Gregg concerning the estate of Capt. James Rogers -

Voted that the Governor & Council join the House of Representatives in a committee of both Houses to confer on the important business of this State
Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow.

Manchester 20th. October 1779

Not according to adjournment

Voted Samuel Fletcher Esq. to join a committee from the Assembly to take into consideration the petition of Mr. Marsh.

Voted that the Governor & Council join the General Assembly tomorrow morning at the opening thereof to choose judges of the Supreme Court.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow
Thursday 21st. October 1779

Not according to adjournment
Voted Moses Robinson Esq. to join a committee of the Assembly to prepare the powers & instructions of the Board of War.

Having taken into consideration the accounts of Asahel Blanchard. Voted to refer the further consideration thereof to the next session of this Council. and that the same be laid on file -

Voted that in pursuance of a Resolution of the General Assembly providing for the support of Mrs. Rogers & ordered that Mrs. Rogers be put into the possession of all and singular the estate, articles and things contained in said resolve thereby to possess the said estate -

Voted Samuel Fletcher Esq. a committee to join
a committee from the House to take into consideration
the petition of the inhabitants of Westminster —

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow
Friday 22 October 1779

Not according to adjournment
Voted Moses Robinson Esq. to join a ^{com}mittee from
the Assembly to prepare a proclamation for a day of
public thanksgiving and prayer

Resolved. That Mr. Daniel Marsh be, and he is hereby
empowered to receive for his use and benefit all & singular
of that part of the produce of the farm (late the property of Col^l
James Rogers and occupied by the said Marsh the last
season) which he would have been entitled to, provided
the General Assembly had not disannulled the bargain
made by and between the said Marsh & Thomas
Chandler Esq. in behalf of this State. And that Liberty be
given for the expending of ^{the} said produce on the premises,
said Marsh to quit the premises at or before the first day
of April next.

Attest

Joseph Fay Secy.

Passed in General Assembly and attested by Nathl Hopkins Clerk

Resolved that Jeremiah Clark Esq. join a committee
from the Assembly to propose a certain salary for His
Excellency the Governor the preceeding & ensuing year

Adjourned to 7 o'clock tomorrow
Saturday 23 Oct. 1779 Not according to adjournment

Resolved that Joseph Fay be, and he is, hereby appointed
secretary to the Gov. & Council the Year ensuing

Resolved, that Samuel Fletcher Esq join a committee from the Assembly, to propose the method and price of granting land.

Resolved, that Maj: Benjamin Waiter, & he is hereby appointed Sheriff in and for the County of Cumberland in the room of John Benjamin for the time being.

Adjourned to Monday next 10 o'clock in the morning

Monday 25 October 1779

Met according to adjournment.

Resolved that Joseph Barker & Moses Robinson Esqs join a committee from the Assembly to propose and regulate the settling of the town of Bethel and to propose an amendment to the price of granting.

Resolved, that Timothy Brownson & Joseph Throop Esq join a committee from the Assembly to consider the several petitions for land, and which are proper to be granted this present Session.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow

Tuesday 26 October 1779

Met according to adjournment

Resolved that Timothy Brownson Esq join a committee from the Assembly to enquire why the lands of Phineas Hardacre of Burlington, deceased may not be sold, and examine into the circumstances of the family of Stephen Fairchild and Austin Daley being dead in Council and referred to future consideration as mentioned on said petition.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

In Council Manchester ~~27th~~ Wednesday 27 Oct 1779
Resolved, that a committee of two be appointed
from this Council to join a committee from the
House to examine and ascertain the necessary
business to be done at this present session —

Resolved, that Timothy Brainerd Esq. join a
committee from the House to devise some proper
measures for the appointing of field and other officers
in new regiments & filling up vacancies —

The General Assembly sent two members, viz. Mr. Thomas
Hibbard and John Fafett Esq. to request the
Governor to issue his proclamation for a day of
public thanksgiving throughout this State on
the first Thursday of December next —

Resolved, that Mr. Amos Robinson be and he is hereby
requested to call on the Printers to this State, and desire
him to complete the Pamphlets entitled a "vindication"
by Ethan Allen and that said Mr. Robinson see the
transmitted to the Governor at Arlington without
delay —

Resolved, that Edmund Harris Esq. be and he is hereby
appointed a commissioner to dispose of a farm in Wilkes-
mington, who has gon over to the enemy, and to pay
the debts due to the creditors of said estate and keep just
accounts and report on oath to this Court of confiscation
as soon as may be. ~~Order~~ Joseph Fugatey —

Resolved. That this Council stand adjourned to the second Monday in November next then to meet in the Council Chamber at Bennington.

By order Joseph Fay Secy -
Resolved on further consideration that it is necessary to meet again tomorrow, therefore resolved to adjourn to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning and that the foregoing adjournment be held good notwithstanding.

Thursday Oct. 28th 1779

Not according to adjournment.

Resolved. That his Excellency Thomas Chittenden and Ira Allen Esq. be and they are hereby appointed a committee to receive the money of the proprietors of the Two Heroes in Lake Champlain and also to erase the names of any proprietors who refuses or neglects to pay the money aforesaid by the 20 day of December next and to enter others in their room that shall appear.

Attest. Joseph Fay Secy

Resolved. That Benjamin Wait Esq. receive the money of the proprietors of the upper part of Cumberland County for the granting fees of the Two Heroes in Lake Champlain and return the money immediately to the committee appointed to receive the same also his honor Gov. Carpenter & Jesse Burk to receive the money aforesaid of the proprietors of the lower part of Cumberland County and make return ^{as} aforesaid. Attest. Joseph Fay Secy.

Voted unanimously that the price of the land known by the name of Fairhaven. Granted to Capt. Blewett and associates be one dollar per acre to be paid by the 20 of December next.

Resolved that his Excellency the Governor & Sir Allen Esq. be a committee to receive the money of the proprietors of Fairhaven and are hereby empowered to erase any of the names of the proprietors who refuse or neglect to pay the money as aforesaid and enter other names in their room that may appear to pay the money, paying an equal proportion of the expense of the proprietors which is not paid on said right.

By order of Council

Joseph Fay Secy

Resolved, that the price for the township of Royaltown be two dollars & are to be paid by the proprietors of said town.

Attest Joseph Fay Secy

The end of October Session 1779

The following is a copy of a report of a committee from the General Assembly omitted by mistake, as follows, vizt -

Manchester October 26th 1779

To the Hon^d General Assembly now sitting at Manchester
Your Committee appointed yesterday to take into consideration what petitions there is for land on file that can be granted this Session, beg leave to report their opinion as follows - That the Hon^d Assembly proceed as soon as may be, and grant to Maj. Benjamin Wait & his associates the Isle of Noth agreeable to his petition and to Colonel Danforth Keyes and his associates the tract of land called Royaltown And to ^{Longham} ~~Longham~~ ^{Longham} ~~Longham~~ and his associates the tract of land described by the name of Benson

And to Captain Abner Elemeager Allen and his associates
the tract of Land called Fair-Haven as by their several
petitions and surveys on file may be seen, and no
more parcels of Land in this State until their several
bounds can be better ascertained according to the
resolve of the House. Always provided that any settlers
now on or ~~within~~ of the aforesaid tracts of Land shall
not be molested or dispossessed of his or their farms
(provided they pay a proportion of cost) but be admitted
as proprietors

Ethan Allen, Chairman of Committee
N.B. Each settler paying his ~~account~~ equal part of the
cost be entitled to have one hundred acres of Land
when he is settled and improved—

See the following grants which were also omitted

In General Assembly 27 October 1779

Whereas the Assembly have resolved to grant to Mr.
John Payne and his associates the township of Bethel for
the sum of one thousand and three hundred pounds
in addition to what has already been paid—

And General Ethan Allen, Capt. Samuel Herrick, Major
Benjamin Wait, Jonas Fay, Esq and their associates, whose
names are mentioned in the schedule annexed to the
petition, the two Islands and Lake Champlain by the name
of the two Heroes for the sum of ten thousand pounds
And to Major Benjamin Wait & his associates the Isle of
Agueable to his petition. And to Capt. Donforth Keyes and
others, his associates the tract of Land called Royalton
And to Lt. Jonathan Meachum and his associates the tract

of land called Pinson. And to Capt. Ebenezer Allen and his associates the tract of land ~~called~~ Iron Haven as by the several petitions and surveys may be seen.

Resolved that His Excellency the Governor & Council be desired to carry the above resolves into execution under such restrictions and regulations as they in their wisdom shall judge will most conduce to the best good of this State, and to make out charters of the above tracts of land agreeable to the resolve of the General Assembly.

Passed in General Assembly

Attest. Robt. Hapkins Clerk

Pennington 5th November 1779

The Governor and Council met according to adjournment and proceed to business.

First took under consideration the petition of Josiah Hall and associates for a certain gore or tract of land, whereupon resolved to refer the further consideration of the subject until tomorrow, 8 o'clock to which time the Council stands adjourned.

Tuesday 9th November 1779

(Met according to adjournment.)

This Council having taken into consideration the petition of Doct. Josiah Hall in behalf of himself and associates bearing date 31st day of December 1778 and read on file in the Secretary's office the 6 day of January 1779 praying for a grant of a certain piece Gore of land within this State &c. Whereupon Resolved that Saml Allen Esq. Surveyor General be and he is hereby directed to grant an order of location and survey unto the said Josiah Hall, and Ensign Elisha

Synan agents for said associates, viz: beginning at the north east corner of Wallingford, then easterly on Shrewsbury south line to the south east corner thereof being the north west corner of Ludlow, thence southerly on Ludlow west line to the southwest corner thereof, and to extend south in such manner as not to interfere with any former grant so far as the vacant or unappropriated lands extend, provided always that the vacant lands does not more than include forty six thousand acres

By order

Joseph Fay Secy -

Resolved, that a committee be appointed to receive the money due from the proprietors for granting following tracts of land, viz: two islands in Lake Champlain by the name of Two Heroes, the Isle of Noth, Fair Haven Benson Bethel and Royalton, with full power to erase the names of any of said inhabitants proprietors who neglect or refuse to pay their respective grants and enter others (who will pay) in their room. Members chosen. His excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq. Ira Allen & John Fapett Esquires

Resolved, that in each charter of incorporation for any grant of lands made out and executed by the Council, a reservation be made therein of all pine timber suitable for masts or spars for shipping, to the use of the fishermen of this State forever, which timber shall be marked by the Surveyor, to be hereafter appointed for that purpose agreeable to the directions of the General Assembly of the representatives of the fishermen of this State

Resolved, that eight pence lawful money shall be deducted out of the price for granting the township of Fair Haven on account of the reservation of pine timber for the use of the freemen of this State.

Resolved, that each grantee in the township of Branson pay, or cause to be paid unto the committee, viz: his excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq, Ira Allen & John Faneuil Esqrs one hundred and twenty eight pence lawful money, on or before the 10th day of January next, and that said committee be, and they are hereby empowered to erase those names who neglect to pay the aforesaid committee at the aforesaid time, and put in such persons names, that shall appear to pay such sums
Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Brimington Nov. 10. 1779

Resolved that every grantee of said Branson his heirs or assigns shall plant and cultivate ten acres of land & build a house at least eighteen feet square on the floor, or have one family settled on each respective right or share of land, within the term of two years next after the conclusion of the present war between Great Britain & America, or in two years after the province of Quebec shall be united to the free and independent States of America on penalty of forfeiture of his grant or share in said township, and the same to revert to the freemen of this State to be by their representatives regranted to such persons as shall appear to settle and cultivate the same

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Thursday 11th Nov. 1779

Met according to adjournment

Resolved, to grant to Prof. Benjamin Wait, and nine
four others, his associates, eight thousand acres of land
on the Isle of Noth in Lake Champlain including three
public rights, beginning at the south end thereof, and
extending so far northward as to contain the aforesaid
quantity of eight thousand acres. -

Resolved, that the said grant be made out on condition
that the proprietors pay to the committee appointed for
that purpose on or before the 10th day of January next
thirty six pence on each grantee's right or share. Resolved
that the condition of the settlement be the same of the
two islands granted by the two Heroes -

Resolved, that a committee of three be appointed
to enquire into the circumstances of certain Tory families,
viz: Fairchildes, Widow Hard, Austin Sealey & Daniel Burr
all of Arlington, and see whether they think it is best
to sell those farms, furnish their property, or any part thereof,
and provide some place for said families & report their
opinion to the court of confiscation as soon as may be
persons chosen, Capt. Wallis, Capt. Lyon & Capt. Jonas Galusha
Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

In Council Friday 12 November 1779

Met according to adjournment -

Resolved that the several Surveyors of this State be
directed in running town lines to allow one chain in
thirty for survey of chain -

Voted Jonas Fay and Joseph Fay Esqrs a committee to prepare the bills passed by the General Assembly of this State at their last Session for the prep as soon as may be —

This Council having taken into their consideration the petition of Capt. Eleazer Fish of Farmington and Capt. Joel Stafford of New Providence in the State of Massachusetts Bay, and their associates, praying for a grant of land in this State as by their petition on file may appear. whereupon

Resolved that Ira Allen Esq. the surveyor General be and he is hereby directed to grant an order of location and survey unto the said Eleazer Fish and Joel Stafford & associates to be divided into equal shares, the following tract of land, viz: beginning at the south westerly corner of the township of Granby, then southerly on the westerly line of a location heretofore given to Captain Eleazer Fish & his associates, and Samuel Bishop Esq. & associates, Capt. Brack Tomblason & his associates, to the southwesterly corner thereof, then westerly a parallel line with the southerly line of said Granby until turning northerly a parallel line with the westerly line of said location until turning easterly a parallel line with the southerly line of said Granby to the bounds first mentioned, will contain twenty three thousand and forty acres of land and no more

Attest Joseph Fay Secy

This Council having taken into consideration the petition of Capt. Comfort Sears, agent in behalf of the Township of Royalton within this State, praying this Council to defer making out a charter of incorporation for said town of Royalton agreeable to the request of the General Assembly of this State at their Session in October last, until said inhabitants can have an opportunity to be heard in the premises by the General Assembly aforesaid at their next Session.

Resolved therefore that a committee of four be appointed to proceed immediately to the said town of Royalton and enquire how many settlers are actually on the premises, when they entered, & how many have made actual improvements on the premises, as also to enquire into any other matter of grievances relating to the matter of the petition, and report to this Council specially as soon as may be, & that the truth exhibited to the said committee, be supported by evidence under oath.

The members chosen. Hon. Benjamin Emmons & John Throop Esqrs. Samuel Robinson Esq. & Capt. Edmond Hodges & three of whom are hereby empowered to act.

Resolved that in the opinion of this Council, this business ought to be effected at the expense of the petitioners.

Attest Joseph Fay Secy

Resolved that a committee of five be chosen, three of whom to be a quorum to ascertain the bounds of the following towns, viz. Pownall, Bennington, Shaftsbury, Arlington, Stamford & Woodford ~~Gloucester~~ Gloucester & Sumner to be under the direction of the Surveyor General of this State and make returns to him as soon as may be. Members chosen. Moses Robinson Esq. St. Joseph Safford, The Hon. John Fay, Samuel Robinson Esq. & Simeon Hatheway. Joseph Fay Secy.

Barnington 12th November 1779.
Resolved, ^{that} this Council be & it is hereby adjourned
until the 21st day of December next at one o'clock P.M.
then to meet at Arlington.

In Council Arlington 8th Dec. 1779
Present His Excellency the Governor in
Hon. Joseph Barker Timothy Brownson -
Moses Robinson Jeremiah Clark
Jonas Fay John Fapett Esq^r -

Resolved. That the manuscript entitled "Vermont
appeal to the candid and impartial world containing
a fair & stating &c" exhibited by Stephen R. Bradley
be published and promulgated to the States of America

December 9th 1779 -
Resolved that Jonas Fay, Moses Robinson & Stephen
R. Bradley Esq^s be & they are hereby appointed agents to
appear at Congress on the first day of February next -

Resolved that Capt. Jonathan Fapett be & he is hereby appointed
one of the committee in lieu of Samuel Robinson
Esq^r for the purpose of hearing the request of the inhabitants
of Royalton who at his request is dismissed -

Arlington 21st December 1779.
The Council met according to adjournment
The committee appointed by the General Assembly
of this State at their session in October last to receive the

money from the several grantees for the granting fees
of the Township of Fair Haven. take this method to notify
those grantees that they shall continue to receive such money
until the 10 day of January next. inclusive
Adjourned without day

Joseph Fay Secy

State of Vermont. In Council Arlington 29th July 1780

Present His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq. Gov.

Hon. Joseph Barker -

Moses Robinson -

Jonas Fay

Tim^r Brownson.

Jeremiah Clark -
John Fapitt Esq. Secy.

Joseph Fay Secy

A petition signed Jacob Buluck
and others, a committee in behalf in behalf of three
hundred inhabitants of the northern frontiers of this
State & directed to his Excellency General Washington
praying for relief by granting Col^l Warners regiment or
other troops to guard said frontiers, being read
and the subject debated on, a vote was called then
whether they approve of said petition being sent to Genl.
Washington or not, which passed unanimously in the
negative Resolved that a copy of this vote be sent
to Col^l Warner.

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

Resolved to choose a committee of three to prepare
a draught to lay an embargo on the exportation of
provisions. Members chosen, Jonas Fay, Moses
Robinson and Joseph Barker Esqrs

Whereas Capt. Fitch Commissioner of sequestration for the township of Paulet. claims a lot of land in said township of Paulet now in possession of Mabel Benedict which land is confiscated to the use of this State & whereas said Fitch refuses to give a lease of said land therefore Resolved, that Moses Robinson Commissioner of sequestration for the town of Rupert be & he is hereby empowered & required to give a lease of said lot of land unto the said Mabel Benedict for the term of one year, taking proper measures to secure the pine timber if any there be in said lot.

Whereas it is found that large quantities of provisions are continually exported out of this State which if not immediately prevented will render it impracticable to furnish the troops raised for the defence of the northern frontiers, as also prevents the purchasing Commissary procuring the necessary provisions in this department for the use of the Army. Therefore Resolved, that any further exportation of wheat Rye Indian Corn flour or meal of any kind, as also beef Pork or any other provisions whatever may be useful for such supplies be and are hereby ^{strictly} prohibited & forbid to be transported out of this State, also that no provisions of any kind that may or shall be transported out of the State of New-York, contrary to the prohibition of that State, be permitted to pass through any part of this State unless for the use of the Army. And all Sheriffs, Constables, Grand Jurors & selectmen of the respective towns within this State are hereby authorized & required to seize any

and every of the above mentioned articles in case they
have reason to suspect any person or persons to be carrying
them out of this State contrary to the true intent and
meaning of this resolution, and if need be, to command
assistance & make returns to the next assistant, or Justice
of the peace of the town, the writs of Habeas Corpus, and unless such
person or persons shall satisfy the Court before whom
the examination be had, that he or they were not transporting
any of the above mentioned articles out of this State, or
that they were for the use of the army, said articles shall
be forfeit, or such person or persons fined, not exceeding
forty pounds at the discretion of the Court before whom
the trial shall be had. The one half of the forfeiture to the
use of this State, the other half to the person who shall
prosecute to effect.

This prohibition to take place the second day of March
next and continue in force thirty days

Attest

Joseph Fay Secy

Journals of Council at their Session
Held at Westminster
March 1780

Westminster 14th. March 1780

In Council date above. (~~Thursday~~) (Tuesday)

Resolved that Samuel Fletcher & his honor Governor Carpenter join a committee of the House to prepare a bill stating fees & fines

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Wednesday 15 March 1780

Not according to adjournment

Resolved, that the conditions of settlement of the township of Berkshire, Enosburgh, Rutherford, Montgomery and Westfield, be as follows, viz: That each proprietors of said township pay to the Treasurer of this State, or a committee hereafter to be appointed the sum of eight pounds & money to be made good as it passed current in the year 1774, that the proprietors of Enosburgh & Westfield make payment to the said committee, on or before the first day of June next, on payment of which charters of incorporation will be given and each proprietor of the above township their heirs or assigns shall plant & cultivate five acres of land, and build a house, at least 18 feet square on the floor, or have one family settled on each respective right or share of land within the term of four years after the circumstances of the war will admit of a settlement with safety, on penalty of the forfeiture of each respective right or share of land in said township, and the same to revert to the freemen of this State, to be by their representatives

regranted to such persons as shall appear to settle & cultivate the same. And said committee is empowered to erase the names of such proprietors as shall not appear & pay the money aforesaid & ~~erase~~ others in their stead. And that five sixty fifth parts in said township be reserved for public uses of this State as shall be hereafter described in the charters of incorporation for said towns, as also all pine ^{down} timber suitable for a navy.

Resolved that the township of Land granted to the officers of the Connecticut Line by the name of Wellys, that the condition of settlement be as follows, viz: that each proprietor in said township pay to the treasurer of this State six pounds & money to be made good as in the year 1774 that settlement be made agreeable to the terms proposed on the townships aforesaid except four years after the present war shall be concluded between Great Britain and America - the same reservation of public rights and timber as in other towns granted in this State.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Thursday In Council 16 March 1780.

Not according to adjournment.

Resolved that that the township or gore of land granted to Doct. Harnay & his associates by the name of Cuthers sixty-seven in number, pay the money for granting said town, on or before the first day of May next, at which time a charter of incorporation will be given according to resolve of Assembly.

Resolved that the township of Philadelphia & Chittenden

granted this sepio. That the proprietors of Pittenden
pay to the Treasurer of this State five hundred & forty
pounds of money made good as in the year 1774
and that the proprietors in Philadelphia pay one
hundred & eighty pounds money down and to be
paid on or before the first day of June next at
which time charters of incorporation will be
made out for said town. The conditions of
settlement to be the same as the other townships
granted this sepio. to Capt. Roger Enos & others on
a near Canada line except such settlement to be
made within two years after the circumstances
of the War will admit to settle in safety.

The following pages are left blank for the purpose
of recording the remainder of the Journals of Council at
their Westminster sepio which by some mistake in the
transfer of the books from Mr. Tolman to me were not
received.

Joseph Fay Secy.

April 7th 1789.

Mr. Fay left five pages blank for the purpose of recording
the remainder of the present sepio. which cannot as yet
be found.

Simon Stevens

Barnet July 13th 1843.

Manchester 26th January 1780

In Council date above

Present His Excellency Governor Lechittenden.

The Hon. Joseph Parker Esq.
Paul Spooner Esq.
Benjamin Emmons Esq.

John Tapett Esq.
Samuel Fletcher Esq.

The proprietors of the township of Royallton
having laid before this Council the dispute between
them with respect to granting said township to
the inhabitants thereof and a number of nonresidents
who by a resolution of Council of the 24 of December
last was to appear this day and receive the charter
of incorporation & pay the granting fees but as it appears
the inhabitants of said town did fully understand
the intentions of the resolution aforesaid, in consequence
of which they refuse to pay the granting fees. Therefore:
Resolved to postpone the making out of the Charter
of incorporation of said town until the next Session
of Assembly in March next

Attest

Joseph Fay Secy

Arlington 7th June 1780

In Council Wednesday 7th June 1780

Met according to adjournment, and opened according to
time & place and adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow

Thursday 8th June 1780

Met according to adjournment, and having taken into
consideration the request of Silas Hammetton & company
Resolved that the price of three thousand acres of land
granted to them in Whitingham be one shilling per
acre, made good as in the year 1774, in lieu of two
shillings which price this Council set in March last
Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning

Friday 9 June 1780

Not according to adjournment

Resolved that whereas the continental pay due to the troops who served the last season in this State cannot be obtained of the continent. That the Treasurer of this State be and he is hereby directed to advance the money to Noah Smith Esq. paymaster, to discharge the same.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Not according to adjournment

Resolved that a Committee be appointed to receive the Charter of Londondary, and to dispose of the same according according to the resolve of the General Assembly in March last. Members chosen Col. Fletcher, Deacon Aiken & Maj. Tyler

Adjourned until 8 o'clock Monday next
Monday 12th June 1780

Not according to adjournment
Resolved that the payment of the granting of the township of Richford & Montgomery be suspended until the 15 day of August next

Resolved that Joseph Fay Esq. be & he is hereby appointed & requested to procure a printer in this State

On the petition of John McNeil to this Council in April 1779, requesting a pardon from the sentence of the Court of Commissioners destining him to banishment, the question being

put. it passed in the negative —

Whereas it has been represented to this Council that that the town of Norwich were under many inconveniences respecting the free exercise of civil government for want of a Justice of the Peace in said town
Therefore Resolved. That this Council do recommend to such of the inhabitants of Norwich as see fit to assemble and recommend some suitable person to His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq. to be commissioned to act in the office of Justice of the Peace until the rising of the General Assembly in October next —

At a meeting of the Governor & Council by His Excellency's summons for that purpose holden at Burlington on the 4 day of July 1780 —

Present His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq. & the Honorable members of his Council as follows

Moses Robinson

Jeremiah Clark

Jonas Fay

John Gayett Jr. Esq.

Timothy Brownson

Joseph Fay Esq. Secy

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow
Wednesday 5 July 1780. Not according to adjournment and proceeded to business —

Whereas it is represented to this Council that many of the ~~inhabitants~~ soldiers which have enlisted in the service of this State, who are the fortresp^s of Putnam & Castleton, are at this time destitute of proper clothing for a campaign. And whereas it is also

represented that the inhabitants of the frontiers
as also other towns in this state are willing to let
them have such cloathing as they want provided
it would be approved on by this council & they could
be paid—

It is therefore recommended by this council
to the inhabitants of the several towns in this state
to furnish their respective soldiers with such
cloathing as soon as they can conveniently, and
take their orders of the Treasurer of this state for
the pay to be deducted out of their wages—

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Thursday 6 July 1780—

Met according to adjournment
and after finishing the business of the day adjourned
until the 17th instant then to meet at this place

Attest Joseph Fay Secy

Resolved that the sentence of imprisonment imposed on
Benjamin Cole by the board of commissioners be & is hereby
suspended during the pleasure of council—

Adjourned without day

Jos. Fay Secy—

Bennington 18th August 1780

Resolved that the agreement relative to a printer
between Stephen R. Bradley Esq. in behalf of the State
of Vermont & Timothy Green printer at New-London
be & hereby is ratified on condition that Mr. Green send
his son to print for this State in lieu of Mr. Spooner

Resolved that Mr. Ezra Stiles he & he is hereby appointed and empowered to repair as soon as may be to New-London to inform Mr. Green of the ratification of the trade between Stephen R. Bradley Esq. & Mr. Green aforesaid. and facilitate as much as possible the moving of the types and other appurtenances for the purpose of printing agreeable to ^{said} agreement.

Resolved that Stephen R. Bradley Esq. he & he is hereby requested as agent to this State to repair to Philadelphia in company with Col. Ira Allen to transact the political business affairs of this State and report to this Council.

Arlington 13th July 1780

In Council met according to His Excellency's summons for that purpose

Present His Excellency Governor Chittenden

The Hon. Joseph Barker

Jeremiah Clark

Moses Robinson

Ira Allen

Timothy Brownson

John Fapett Jr. Esq.

Joseph Day Esq. Secy.

Resolved that the powder now to be dealt out to the troops and militia of this State be sold for seven shillings silver money or seventy dollars in paper ^{if} paid. & that the lead be ^{at} ~~of~~ ^{per} pound & flints ^{at} ~~of~~ ^{per} doz.

Resolved that the Hon. Ira Allen Esq. he & he is hereby appointed to proceed to Philadelphia to deliver a letter from Governor Chittenden of this days date

To Samuel Huntington Esq. President of Congress
containing an answer to the Presidents letter to Gov.
Chittenden of the 10th of June last containing several
acts of Congress of the 28th 9th of June last.

Birmingham July 24th 1780.

At a meeting of the Governor & Council by his Excellency's
orders for that purpose in the Council Chamber
Birmingham, date above -

Present, his Excellency Governor Chittenden & the
following members of the Hon Council viz:

Hon. Moses Robinson

Jeremiah Clark

Jonas Fay

John Gaffett Jr. Esq.

Timothy Brownson

Ira Allen - &

Joseph Fay Esq Secretary

Having opened the business to the Council and
proceeded in debate relative to the tories under
sentence of banishment, agreed to adjourn until
tomorrow morning 7 o'clock -

Tuesday 25 July 1780. Met according
to adjournment and proceeded to the case of James
Breakenridge, who is under the sentence of
banishment. the question being that whether the
sentence of banishment be suspended for a limited
time. it passed in the affirmative, that the execution
of said sentence be postponed during the pleasure
of Council -

A proclamation by his Excellency the
Governor was read, offering a free passport to all

Stories who choose to join the enemies of this & the United States of America, which was referred to a committee to prepare and lay before the Governor for his approbation members chosen, Jonas Fay and Joseph Robinson Esquire
Joseph Fay Secretary -

Arlington 23^d September 1780

Gentlemen - Your petition ^{supposed to be} of yesterday's date has been this day received by the hand of William Lincham, and have laid the same before the members of Council, which at present are not sufficient in number for a quorum. They are of opinion with me, to inform you, that it would be an ~~advantage~~ ^{disadvantage} to the common cause of liberty, as well as for the interest of this State to permit such persons as choose to show themselves to be on the enemies side, to repair to them from amongst ~~us~~, agreeable to the proclamation, so that the mouths of all such as might in future appear and exhibit a disposition unfriendly to the common cause might be stopped. Nine adult male persons have only ^{have} as yet made application for such permit, and it is probable that no others will apply as the time is so far expended, that there is not sufficient time left for them to make suitable preparations for their journey.

I must consider the proclamation a legal act of the authority of this State, and that it would be an illegal act of the authority to engage by such proclamation safe ~~conduct~~ within the enemies lines and thereby afford an opportunity, or rather a trap or snare for those disposed to go to Canada to discover

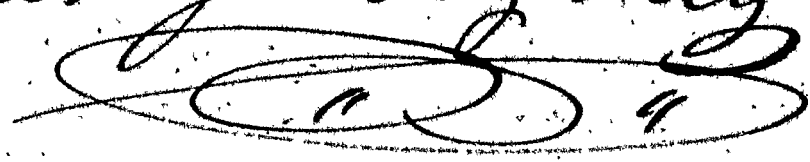
their disposition and then take advantage of the discovery of such disposition, which was made on the faith and full confidence of the authority of the State to furnish them therefor

I cannot conceive that any number of persons who have made themselves duly acquainted with the nature of the act and the obligation the State is under to fulfill it (even admitting some may be of opinion that the act is impracticable) can reconcile it to their consciences for us thus to trifle with the Honor of the State - I should be happy in this to satisfy every individual signer of the petition in any particular of this affair, but it would be too lengthy - I hope therefore that Capt. Robinson and others will fully make you easy on this subject -

I am Gentlemen your most Obedient
Humble Servant

Thomas Chittenden

True delivered in answer to the petition of a number of disaffected persons who wished to remove within the enemies lines on the aforesaid proclamation.

Attest Jas Fay Secy


Journals of Council at their Session Held at

Brimington at a General Election in
October 1780.

At a general election of the Governor and Council
for the State of Vermont Held at Brimington
the 12 day of October 1780

Present His Excellency Thomas Chittenden
Esq. Govr. His Honor Benjamin Carpenter Esq. Lt.
Govr. and the following members of the Hon. Council
viz. Hon. Moses Robinson Esq. Paul Spooner

Jonas Fay
Joseph Bowker
Timothy Brownson
Jeremiah Clark

Ira Allen
John Fapett
Samuel Fletcher
John Throop Esq.

Resolved that Jeremiah Clark, Jonas Fay,
John Fapett, Joseph Bowker, Paul Spooner
and Moses Robinson Esq. be and they are hereby
appointed ^{a committee} to join a committee from the House
to receive, sort & count the votes of the freemen
and declare those who are appointed to the several
offices of Governor, Deputy Govr, Councillors & Treasurer
for the year ensuing—

The aforesaid Committee having attended on the
business of their appointment, and made their
report, it appears that the following Gentlemen are
elected viz.

His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq. Governor
His Honor Benjamin Carpenter Esq. Lt Governor
Hon Ira Allen

Benjamin Burrows
Samuel Fletcher
John Throop
John Fapett Jr
Thomas Chandler
Joseph Bowker

Jonas Fay
Timothy Brownson
Paul Spooner
Moses Robinson
Jeremiah Clark Esq
Counselors —

Adjourned until tomorrow 8 o'clock
October 13th 1780. Met according to adjournment.

Resolved, that Capt Giles Malcott lie & he is hereby appointed
a commissary to purchase & procure & forward on provision to the
militia who are collected, or collecting in this present alarm —
Adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M.

Met according to adjournment. Resolved that the
Hon^d Jonas Fay Esq lie & he is hereby appointed secretary P.M.
in the absence of Joseph Fay Esq —

Adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow
Friday 13th October 1780 Met according to adjournment
To Capt. Giles Malcott —

You are hereby appointed purchasing
commissary for the time being, to purchase provisions
of every kind and to transport the same to such
place or places as may be necessary to supply the militia
in the present alarm

And you are hereby empowered to
pledge the faith of this State for the payment of
all such contracts & in case of necessity you are further

herely empowered to seize such provisions as may be necessary & to impress teams, Horses & Carriages to forward such provisions to the support of the Militia that may be in service, (you will keep regular accounts in your proceedings in order for settlement)

By order of Council

Thomas Chittenden Secy

A similar appointment to the above, given to Capt. Samuel Billings as assistant to Capt. Walcott -

Adjourned until 8 o'clock tomorrow.

Council Met according to adjournment -

Whereas it has been represented to this Council that there is a writing office in the town of Westminster within this State, the former property of --- Pole formerly an inhabitant of that place, who is gone over to the and joined the enemies of this and the United States of America -

Whereupon resolved that Ezra Stiles Esq^r. be and he is duly authorized and empowered to seize the same & take it into possession for the use of this State, and to retain the same until cause can be shown (by such as lay claim thereto) why it shall not be adjudged, forfeited and confiscated to the use of this State

By order of the Governor & Council
Jonas Fay Secy

At the request of the General Assembly, chose Mr. Bunker and Mr. Throop a committee to join a committee from the House to take into consideration the petition of Hannah Bradley & report
Adjourned to 10 o'clock Monday next

Bennington In Council Monday 16 October 1780—

Met according to adjournment—

Resolved that a committee of two be appointed to join a committee from the House to make out an estimate of the necessary expense probable to be incurred the year ensuing— Members chose Mr. Bowker & M. Allen

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning

Bennington 17 October 1780

In Council Tuesday date above

Met according to adjournment

A bill from the House was read, requesting a committee from the Council to join a committee of nine from the House to take into consideration the lands ingranted and the several petitions therefor, and report their opinion, what lands ought to be granted, and what persons will be the most condusive to the welfare of the State to have such grants—

Resolved that a Committee of four be appointed to join the above committee. Members chosen. Mr. Allen Mr. Tapett. Mr. Fay. & Mr. Spooner—

A bill from the House requesting a committee from the Council to join a committee of 7 to prepare for quieting the ancient settlers. Resolved that a committee of two to join the above committee be appointed— Members chosen Mr. Brownson & Mr. Bowker —

Thomas Chandler Esq who had heretofore presided as Speaker of the House of Assembly appeared before his Excellency and took the necessary oaths to entitle him to a seat in Council —

The Governor & Council joined the House in a committee of both Houses for the purpose of appointing a board of war —

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning
Wednesday 18th October 1780

Met according to adjournment and proceeded to the necessary business of the day —

The Hon. Moses Robinson Esq. appeared before his Excellency and took the necessary oaths to qualify him to take his seat in Council —

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow
Thursday 19th October 1780. Met according to adjournment —

Resolved, that Joseph Fay Esq. be and he is hereby appointed Secretary to the Governor & Council for this State for the year ensuing, also took his seat and the oath of office for Secretary of State —

Resolved that Jeremiah Clark Esq. be a Committee to join a committee from the House to prepare a bill for building a bridge in Pittsford over a certain river in said town —

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Pennington 20th October 1780
Friday. In Council as above —

Met according to adjournment
Resolved that Capt. Joseph Farnsworth be and he is hereby appointed commissary of purchases, to act in conjunction with Maj. Samuel Bellings, as specified in a warrant given him for that purpose —

Resolved that Edward Harris Esq who
was empowered to sell a farm in Willington as
by a resolve of Council of the 27 of October 1779 he directed
to sell the same to Capt. Josiah Lock for one hundred
and twenty seven pounds to be made good as in the
month of April 1777 and to receive receit for the settlement
with the Creditors for such debts as are found to be
justly due from Phineas Fairbanks late of Willington
(who has joined the enemies of this and the United States
of America) in payments and the surplusage to be
paid to the treasurer of this State

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Saturday In Council 21st October 1780

Met according to adjournment

The Governor & Council to whom was referred the
the stating the fees for the Grant of land made this
day by the General Assembly of this State having had
the same under their consideration have stated
the fees aforesaid at three hundred and eighty four
pounds for the said land being one township
by the name of Montpelier in hard money or an
equivalent in continental currency to be paid by Col.
Timothy Bagelow or his Attorney, on the execution of
the Charter of incorporation, on or before the 20 day of
January next.

J. H. B.

Attest

Joseph Fay secy

These pages left blank for the purpose of recording some of the journals which appear to be missing, which I have not received in the transfer of the books from Mr Tolman, late secretary, or otherwise the recd from the 21st ~~first~~ to the 28th was during the adjournment of Council & Assembly on account of the alarm of the approach of the enemy from Canada which is not here specified —

Joseph Fay Secy

April 9th 1789

Mr Fay left two pages blank for the above named purpose, which articles have never as yet been found — — Simon Stevens
Barnet Clerk 14th 1843.

Bennington 28th October 1780

Saturday, In Council date above

Met according to adjournment
Resolved that those Gentlemen ^{who} have heretofore attended Congress on behalf of this State be allowed five shillings hard money for each day expended in service, exclusive of horse and expenses.

The remaining part of the day being spent in preparing bills —

Adjourned to 8 o'clock Monday next —

Monday, In Council 31st October 1780. Met according to adjournment.

The members of Council, sufficient for a quorum not being present, spent the day in preparing bills to lay before the General Assembly to be passed into laws.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Tuesday 31st 1780, Met according to adjournment and received the following request from the General Assembly, viz:

In General Assembly October 1780—
Resolved that the Capt. General be & he is hereby
requested to discharge the volunteers raised for the
defence of the frontiers

Extract from the Journals. R. Hopkins Clerk

The following resolve received from the House viz:

Resolved, that this Assembly of the Captain General
and Commander in Chief making proposals to his
Excellency General Haldimand for settling a cartel for
the exchange of prisoners and further approve and
recommend to him to appoint and empower suitable
persons to further negotiate the settlement of a cartel
with Major Carleton agreeable to General Haldimand's
proposals for that purpose—

Extract from the minutes

Ros. Hopkins Clerk

True copy recorded. Joseph Fay secy—

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Wednesday 1st November 1780

Met according to adjournment

Nothing passed this day to be reviewed

Adjourned until tomorrow Morning

Thursday 2 November 1780. Met according to adjournment—

Resolved that Capt. Brownson join a committee to
take into consideration the the petition from Col. Warrers
regiment

His Excellency the Governor requested the opinion of the
Council with respect to appointing some proper persons

and authorizing them to treat with Major Carleton for the purpose of settling a cartel for the exchange of prisoners. Whereupon

Resolved to appoint two persons with full power to settle a cartel with Major Carleton for the purpose aforesaid -

Resolved that the Hon. Isaac Allen and Joseph Fay Esquires be and they are hereby appointed and empowered to repair forthwith to Crown Point or St. Johns and enter upon the establishment of a cartel for the exchange of prisoners -

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Friday 3^d November 1780

Not according to adjournment

Resolved. that the proprietors of the township of Lyndon pay for each right in said township the number of twenty four officers of the Rhode Island Line pay seven pounds for each right. and the remainder to the number of forty pay eight pounds ten shillings lawful money in silver or gold or other current money equivalent to the Treasurer of this State, or a committee appointed for that purpose. one half to be paid by the 20th day of February next. and the other half to be paid by the 15th day of May next -

And that the Condition of Settlement of said township be as follows, viz: that each proprietor of the township of Lyndon, his heirs, or assigns shall plant and cultivate five acres of land in said township, and build a house at least eighteen feet square on the floor, on each respective right or share within the

Term of four years next after the circumstances of the war
will admit of settlement with safety on penalty of his
right or share of land in said township forfeited
and the same to revert to the freemen of this State
to be by their representatives regranted to such persons
as shall appear to settle and cultivate the same.
And said Committee to be hereafter appointed
is hereby authorized to name the names of such
proprietors as neglect or refuse to pay the money
aforesaid, and enter others in their room, and
also that five equal shares be reserved for public use
as shall be hereafter mentioned in the charter of
incorporation of said township also all pine timber
suitable for masts & spars, are reserved for the use
of a Navy.

Adjourned until 8 o'clock tomorrow, and
continued from day to day ~~to~~ adjournments until the
sixth instant

Berminston 6th Nov^r 1780.

In Council date above Met according to
Adjournment and proceeded to business as
follows

Resolved That the proprietors of Randolph
in Number Sixty Eight, pay for each right, eleven
pounds & Money in Silver or gold Coin or other
current Money equivalent, to be paid to a Committee
hereafter to be appointed to receive the same on
or before the first day of January next, and
that the conditions of Settlement be as follows
viz. That each proprietor of the Township of

Granted to Aaron Stores Esq^r, Company No 4 on

Joseph Fay secy

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of
Giliad, granted Elisha Marvin & Company, marked
on the plan No. 31, pay for each right $\frac{1}{4}$ 10. lawful money
in silver or gold coin, to be paid, on or before the 15 day
of February next. The conditions of settlement to

be the same as the township of Randolph which will be specified in the Charter of incorporation —

Resolved, that the proprietors of the township of Turnersburgh. granted to Bela Turner Esq. marked on the plan No. 8. pay for each right nine pounds lawful money in silver or gold coin or other current money equivalent to be paid by the 1st day of February next. The conditions of settlement to be the same as in the township of Randolph which will be specified in the Charter of Incorporation —

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of _____ granted to Roseter Griffin and company being sixty four in number marked on the plan No 22 pay for each right nine pounds lawful money to be paid the first day of January next. the condition of settlement to be the same as the township of Randolph which will be specified in the Charter of incorporation

Resolved, that the proprietors of the township of Cabbot granted to Capt. Jefe Sawyer Levingworth & company being sixty five in number, marked on the plan No 24. pay for each right nine pounds lawful money to be paid by the first day of January next. The conditions of settlement to be the same as the township of Randolph which will be specified in the Charter of incorporation —

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of

Hidepark, granted to Isaaciah Hide & company, marked on the plan No. 45, pay for each right eight pounds ten shillings lawful money, to be paid one half in silver money and the remainder in other current money equivalent, to be paid by the first day of January next. The terms of settlement to be the same as the township of Randolph which will be specified in the Charter of incorporation —

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Greensborough, granted to Capt. Timothy Green & company marked on the plan No. 24, paying for each right eight pounds ten shillings lawful money in silver or other current money equivalent, to be paid by the 20 day of January next. The conditions of settlement to be the same as the township of Randolph which will be specified in the Charter of incorporation —

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Nory granted to Commodore Whipple & company, marked on ~~the~~ plan No 32, pay for each right eight pounds £ money to be paid by the 10 day of January next in silver or other money equivalent, The conditions to be the same as the township of Randolph which will be specified in the Charter of incorporation —

Resolved, that the proprietors of the township of Victory granted to ^{Capt.} Ebenezer Fish and Company, marked on the plan No 28, pay for each right in said township nine pounds £ money in silver or other current money

equivalent to be paid by the 15 day of Feb. next. The conditions of the settlement to be the same as in the township of Randolph which will be specified in the charter of incorporation —

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow —

Thursday 1st Nov. 1780.

Not according to adjournment.

Resolved, that Mr. John Burnham Commissioner of Sales be & he is hereby directed to repay the money paid to him by Timothy Green for a ^{cert.} piece of land in Pownal and make the money good according to the rules prescribed by law Congress

By order of Council

Joseph Fay. Secy.

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Gatesborough marked on the plan No 43. granted to Josiah Gates and Amos Jones & Company to the number of ~~100~~ 100. pay for each right ~~10~~ 10. \$ money in silver or other current money equivalent to be paid by the fifth day of February next. The conditions of settlement to be specified in the charter of incorporation —

Resolved, that the proprietors of the township of Orange granted to Amos Robinson, Eleazer Green & company marked on the plan No 15, pay for each right right p^{ar}ce \$ money in silver or other money equivalent to be paid one half by the first day of February next, the other half by the first day of March next. The conditions three years for settlement & reservations to be specified in the charter of incorporation

Resolved that the proprietors for the town of Pittsfield granted to St. Samuel Wilcox, Dr. Daniel Minney, Deacon Josiah Wright & company, being 65 in number, marked on the plan No. 1, pay nine pounds £ money in silver or other money equivalent for each right to be paid by the 10 day of February next to be settled in a term of three years next after the circumstances of the War will admit with safety.

Resolved that the proprietors of Hancock granted to St. Samuel Wilcox Dr. Daniel Minney, Dr. Josiah Wright & company, being fifty five in number, marked on the plan No 2, pay seven pounds £ money, in silver or a equivalent to be paid the first day of February next, to be settled in three years after the War will admit, with safety, the reservation to be specified in the charter of incorporation.

Resolved, that the proprietors of the township of Murretown granted to Mr. Moses Moses & company, being sixty four in number, marked on the plan No 44, pay 7½ £ money in silver or an equivalent in other current money to be paid by the first day of March next. The terms of settlement is three years after the war, the reservations are to be specified in the charter of incorporation.

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Minden grant to Col. Timothy Newell, Ebenezer Crafts Esq and company, being 60 in number, marked on the plan, No 37, pay nine pounds £ money in silver or equivalent to be paid by the 16th day of Jan'y next to be settled in three years next after the War will

admit with safety. The reservation to be specified in the charter of incorporation —

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Carenton granted to Major Elias Buel & company, being a gore as is maintained and described in the grant of Assembly, pay for each right, ten pounds & money in silver or other current money equivalent, to be paid by the last day of December next, and whereas the quantity of land cannot be ascertained, whereupon

Resolved that Major Buel pay ~~one~~ hundred and fifty pounds money aforesaid at the time above mentioned and if on examination the full quantity of land shall not be found, as is specified in said Buels petition or to make up 15 rights, allowing 320 acres to each proprietor agreeable to the grant of said land, then the money to be repaid without interest, and if on examination a larger quantity be found, to be paid for when ascertained

Resolved that the proprietors of Baldensburgh, being 44 in number, marked on the plan No. 33, pay for each right nine pounds & money in silver or an equivalent in other money to be paid by the 26 day of December next, to be settled in the term of three years next after the war will admit with safety. The reservation will be specified in the charter of incorporation —

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Larnaca granted to Col. Samuel Fletcher & company being 54 in number, described as marked on the plan No. 36

pay for each right in said town, nine pounds £. Money in silver or other current money equivalent, to be paid by the 18th day of February next, to be settled in three years. The reservation to be specified in the charter of incorporation —

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Brookfield granted unto Mr. Phineas Lyman and company to the number of 64 marked on the plan No 9. pay for each right, seven pounds £. Money in silver or other current money equivalent, to be paid by the 19th Feb'y. next. To be settled within three years. The reservation to be specified in the charter of incorporation —

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Wardsborough, granted to William Ward & company being 53 in number, and marked on the plan No 39, pay eight pounds ten shillings £. Money in silver or other money equivalent for each right, to be paid the 18 day of February next and to be settled within the term of three years after the war will admit with safety. The reservations will be specified in the charter of incorporation

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Fletcher, granted to Major Tyler and company to the number of 64, marked on the plan No 46. pay for each right, £ 8. 10. 0 £. Money in silver or other current money equivalent, to be paid by the 17th of February next. The conditions of settlement to be three years after the war will admit with safety. The reservations to be specified in the charter of incorporation — Adjourned till 8 o'clock tomorrow —

Bennington Wednesday November 8th 1780

Not according to adjournment.

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of East Haven granted to Mr Timothy Andrews, Braed Tomblinson & company being sixty three in number, described and marked on the plan No. 29, pay for each right in said town, nine pounds of money in silver or other current money equivalent, to be paid the 15th day of February next, to be settled in three years after the present war will admit with safety. The reservations will be made specified in the charter of incorporation —

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Westford granted to Major Abraham Deagick, Capt. Noah Seymour & Company being sixty three in number, described and marked on the plan No 42, pay for each right in said town eight pounds lawful money in silver or an equivalent in other current money, to be paid by the 25th day of February next, to be settled in three years after the present war will be ~~disposed~~ admit of safety. The reservations will be specified in the charter of incorporation.

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Sheffield, granted to Col. Andrew Adams, Mr Stephen Kingsley & company 63 in number, described & marked in the plan No 34, pay for each right in said town, eight pounds L. money to be paid by the 25th of December next, to be settled three years after the war. The reservations will be specified in the charter of incorporation.

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of

Newark, granted to Capt. Samuel Hulbert, Mr. Isaac Andrews & company sixty three in number, described and marked on the plan No 30, pay nine pounds & money on each right on the sixteenth day of February next, to be settled in three years after the present war will admit with safety. The reservations to be specified in the Charter of incorporation.

Resolved that the proprietors of the Township of Kingston granted to Messrs. Reuben King, Sheldon Graham & company sixty three in number, as described & marked on the plan No. 6, pay seven pounds & money on each right on the first day of March next, to be settled in three years after the war will admit of a settlement with safety. The reservations to be specified in the charter of incorporation.

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Branitree granted to Messrs. Jonathan Temple, Jacob Spear, Nathan Putnam, Levi Davis & Company, sixty one in number, as described and marked on the plan No 5, pay for each right nine pounds lawful money on the first day of March next, to be settled ~~after the war will admit~~ in three years from the time of payment, the reservation will be specified in the Charter of incorporation.

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Hardwick granted to Capt. Danforth Keyes & Eliakim Spooner & Company sixty three in number, as described on the plan No 23, pay nine pounds & money on each right, on the first day of May next, to be settled after the war will admit with safety. The reservations will be specified in the Charter of incorporation.

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of ~~Madbury~~
granted to Capt. Eleazer Wood. Mr. William Lyman &
company, sixty three in number, as described on the
plan No 20, pay nine pounds like money on each right
on the first day of April next, to be ~~disbursed~~ settled
three years after the war will admit with safety. The
reservations will be ~~as specified~~ specified in the
Charter of incorporation —

Resolved that the resolution of yesterdays date relative
to the pay, terms of settlement &c of the Township of Brook-
field granted to Mr Phineas Lyman & company, be &
is hereby reconsidered

By Order of Council
Jones & Fay
Secy. &c.

Resolved that the proprietors of the Township
of Brookfield, granted unto Mr Phineas Lyman
& company to the No 64, marked in the Plan No 9, pay
for each right or share five pounds S. Money
in silver or other current money equivalent to be
paid, one half on the first day of May next. The
other half on the first day of October next, to be settled
in three years — The reservations to be specified in the
Charter of Incorporation

Resolved that the proprietors of the Township
of Concord, granted to Ruben Jones Esq. & company
to the No 65, marked on the Plan No 27, pay for
each right or share eight pounds S. Money in silver
or other current money equivalent, to be paid on the

10 day of February next. to be settled within three years
The reservations will be specified in the charter of
incorporation —

Resolved that the proprietors of Williamstown granted
to Capt. Samuel Clark & Mr. Abiel Baker & company
78 in number. as described on the plan No 13. pay for each
right in said township eight pounds L. Money in silver
or an equivalent in other current money to be paid
the fifteenth day of May next and to be settled within
three years after the war will admit with safety. The
reservations ~~to be~~ will be specified in the charter of
incorporation —

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow
Thursday 9th November 1780 —

Met according to adjournment
Resolved that the proprietors of the Gore of land lying
viz: between the towns of Broomley, Andover and
Londondary do as to allow to each proprietor three
hundred and twenty acres, or thereabouts. granted to
Capt. William Utley. pay for each for such right
in said gore eleven pounds L. Money in silver or
other current money equivalent to be paid on the first
day of January next & that the same be settled within three
years. The reservation will be specified in the charter
of incorporation —

Resolved that the proprietors of Gratton granted to
St. Thomas Butterfield & Company. 66 in number
as described on the plan No 17. pay for each right eight

pounds L. Money, in silver money, or other current money equivalent, to be paid on the first day of March next, to be settled in three years after the present war will admit. The reservations will be specified in the Charter of incorporation —

Resolved, that the proprietors of the township of Cambridge, granted to Samuel Robinson Esq. as described on the plan marked No 47, pay for each right, eight pounds L. Money in silver, or other current money equivalent, to be paid on the 20 day of May next, to be settled within three years after the present war will admit with safety. The reservations will be specified in the Charter of incorporation —

Resolved, that the proprietors of the township of Strassborough granted to David Braid and company 64, in number, as described on the plan No 41, pay nine pounds L. Money in silver or other current money equivalent, to be paid on the 13 day of January next, and to be settled 3 years after the war will permit with safety. The reservations will be specified in the Charter of incorporation —

Resolved, that the proprietors of the Warren, granted to John Throap Esq. Capt. Steel Smith & company 63 in number, as described on the plan No 11, pay on each right, six pounds L. Money in silver or other current money equivalent, on the 20 day of March next, & to be settled in four years after the present war will admit.

with safety. The reservations will be specified in the charter of incorporation —

Resolved, that the proprietors of the township of Roxbury, granted to Capt. William Chaplin, Benjamin Emmons Esq. & associates, 63 in number, 63 in number described on the plan No 10, pay eight pounds ten shillings on each right in silver, or other current money equivalent on the 25 day of March next, and settle the same in three years after the present war will admit of a settlement with safety. The reservations as usual.

Resolved, that the proprietors of the township of Northfield, granted May, Joel Matthews, Capt. Wm. Gallusha and company 63 in number as described on the plan No. 14, pay 6 pounds ^{ten} shillings on each right on the 18th day of January next. Money in silver or other current money equivalent, and settle the same after the present war will admit with safety. The reservations to be specified in the Charter of incorporation —

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Littleton granted to Gideon Heaton and company, 64 in number described on the plan No. 26, pay on each right, eight pounds ten shillings lawful money in silver or other current money on the 7th day of April next, and settle the same in three years. The reservations to be specified in the Charter of Incorporation —

Resolved that the Honorable Paul Hooper and John Shepard Esqrs. be & they are hereby chosen a committee to return the names of the present settlers in the Township of Brookfield. granted to Mr. Phineas Lyman & Co. —

Resolved that the proprietors of the Township of Lincoln. granted to Capt. Benjamin Sommers & Company to the number of 64. described on the plan No 40. pay for each right 6 pounds L. Money in silver or an equivalent in other current money on the 19 day of February next. and settle the same in four years after the present war will admit with safety. Reservations as usual —

Resolved that the proprietors of the Township of Eden. granted to Capt. Seth Warner. Lt. Col. Samuel Bufford. the officers. soldiers & the heirs of the deceased persons of his regiment. that did belong to this State when they entered service. described on the plan No 48. pay on each right nine pounds. to settle the same after the present war will admit of a settlement with safety. The reservations to be specified in the Charter of incorporation.

Resolved that the proprietors of the Township of Wildenburgh granted to Capt. William Williams & Company. 64 in number. as described on the plan No. 16. pay for each right eight pounds ten shillings L. Money. on the first Wednesday of May next. and settle the same in three years after the war will admit with safety. The reservations as usual —

Resolved. That the proprietors of the township of Rochester granted to Asa Whitcomb Esq & Company, 64 in number. as described on the plan No. 3. pay for each Indian town nine pounds L. Money on the 15 day of March next. and settle the same within three years after the present war will admit of settlement with safety. The reservations to be specified in the charter of incorporation —

Resolved. That the proprietors of the township of Bershire granted to Capt. Oliver Sealey and company, 64 in number described on the plan No. 7. pay for each right ten pounds L. Money on the 10 day of January next. and settle the same in three years after the war will admit with safety. The reservations as usual —

Resolved. That his Excellency the Governor. Hon. John Fafett Esq. the Hon. Timothy Brownson Esq. be a committee to receive the granting fees on the several tracts granted at the present session —

Resolved. That Jonas Fay & Moses Robinson Esquires be and are hereby appointed a committee to receive & revise the laws for the prep —

Resolved. That Moses Robinson Esq. make the draft of a proclamation for a public thanksgiving —

Resolved that the proprietors of the district of Ira. granted to Nathan Clark Esq & company pay fifteen pounds

on each right, allowing to each proprietor 300 acres. to
be paid in silver or other money equivalent, on the first
day of June next. The reservations to be as usual —

The following resolution rec^d from the House and
ordered to be recorded. viz;

"In General Assembly November 8th 1780
Resolved that the Governor & Council be & they are hereby
requested and authorised to appoint proper persons to
negociate for this State at Congress & the other States for
the purpose of procuring assistance towards the defence
of the frontiers and any other matters that shall be
necessary for the benefit of this State —

Extract from the journals

Robt. Happings Clerk

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End of the Sessions held at Bennington

in
October and November

1780

Joseph Fay Secy.

Brimington 16th December 1780
In Council date above —

Rules & regulations directing in what manner the troops employed in the service of this State shall be paid
Resolved. That for the payment of the troops that shall be in service hereafter for the defence of this State, for any stipulated term of time there shall be one paymaster appointed, whose duty it shall be to pay the troops according to Pay Rolls which the Captains of each company shall make out and which shall be examined & approved by the committee of Pay Table & the same certified on the back of said Roll before the Paymaster shall pay any money, therefore, upon which a warrant shall issue on the Treasurer for the Paymaster to receive the same and pay out the several sums due to each officer & soldier respectively.

There shall be duplicate Pay Rolls thus authenticated for each payment, on one of which shall be a warrant to the Treasurer who shall take the Paymasters receipt thereupon, keeping the same as his voucher, and the other shall be lodged with the paymaster —

The paymaster shall be under a bond of one thousand pounds to the Treasurer of this State for the due and faithful performance of his duty. He shall keep regular books of all the monies received by him and paid out & settle his account with the auditors of Acpts, as often as they shall call upon him for that purpose. He shall take all his receipts for money specifying the sums in words at length and not in figuring, and no other receipt shall pass as a voucher to his account in settlement.

All orders which officers or soldiers have drawn or may draw on their respective captains while in service for their wages or any part of them shall be paid by the paymaster when exhibited to him to the amount of such officers or soldiers wages, & such order with a receipt thereon endorsed shall be a sufficient voucher to the paymaster in a settlement of his accounts.

Provided always that such be exhibited before such officer or soldier may otherwise have recd. his pay and all like orders which the captains or other commanding officers have drawn or may draw upon the Treasurer and which are not paid before the Pay Rolls are made up & authenticated shall in like manner be paid by the paymaster who is hereby directed not to receive any other orders for pay until such orders & receipts as the Treasurer may hereafter be directed and the Treasurer accounted to for the same.

And whereas now there is now a number of troops in service & others that have been discharged which are not yet paid for their services. is further Resolved, that all such troops shall be paid by the paymaster as is prescribed in the foregoing resolutions.

~~Resolved that all such troops shall be paid by the paymaster in the same~~

Resolved that the Paymaster who shall be appointed be allowed an adequate compensation for his services, he keeping account of his time and necessary expence in such service.

The preceding rules & regulations read & approved whereupon.

Resolved that Thomas Johnson be and he is hereby

appointed Paymaster to the troops heretofore and
in future to be appointed raised for the defence of this
State for the year ensuing

By order of the Governor & Council

Jonas Fay Secy. Per

True copy recorded

Joseph Fay Secy -

Journals of Council at their Session Holden
at Windsor Feby. 8th
1781

State of Vermont.

In Council Windsor 8th Feby. 1781
At a meeting of his Excellency the Governor and the Hon^{le}
Council the Legislature being commenced according
to adjournment

Present His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq. His
Honor. Benjamin Carpenter Esq. Atty. Gen. and the following
members of the Hon^l Council viz:

Hon^l Joseph Barker
Timothy Dawson
Paul Spooner
Benjamin Emmons

Ira Allen
John Throop
John Fapett
Thomas Chandler Esq^r

Resolved. That Thomas Tolman be & he is hereby appointed
Secy. Pro Tempore

A memorial from Dr. Thomas Clark was read, whereupon
the Hon Ira Allen Esqr. was appointed a committee to join
committee from the house to take under consideration said memorial

Letter enclosing sundry papers to be laid before the General Assembly signed Elisha Payne chairman in behalf of a Committee appointed by a convention held at Charlestown on the 16th of January last. was read, and upon a request from the house requested the Council to join them in a committee of both houses to confer on the subject of said letters.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow —

February 9th 1781 Not according to adjournment

The Hon. Samuel Fletcher Esq. attended and took his seat in Council. The Council having attended on a committee of both houses until 12 o'clock

Adjourned until 2 o'clock P.M. —

Not according to adjournment and again joined the house in a committee of the whole until 6 o'clock & then adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow

Windsor 10 February 1781

Not according to adjournment and after attending in a committee of the whole until 11 o'clock the committee adjourned and the Council proceeded to business.

A bill entitled an act for quieting the disorders prevailing in this State was laid before the Council whereupon a committee was appointed to join a committee from the House for the purpose of making such alterations and amendments as they shall judge necessary in said bill. and make their report. Members chosen Hon. Samuel Fletcher & John Fapett Esquires —

Adjourned until 9 o'clock Monday next —

February 12th 1781. (Not according to adjournment)

A petition signed David Haynes, Elisha Rogers and sixteen others, inhabitants of Brimington.

A petition signed Nathan Roberts was read.

An act passed the General Assembly, entitled an act to prevent a multiplicity of lawsuits, was read.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M.

(Not according to adjournment)

A petition of John Barnet and others to the number of 31, was read requesting the General Assembly to grant liberty for making a Lottery for the purpose of erecting two bridges, the one in Springfield over Black river and the other in Rockingham over a river by the name of Williams River upon which a committee of one was appointed to join a committee of five from the House to consider said petition and make report. Chose the Hon. John Throop Esq.

A Resolve of the General Assembly appointing a committee to receive and enquire into the petition from the several towns respecting an over taxation was read whereupon a committee of one was appointed to join said committee of the House. The Gentleman chosen the Hon. Timothy Brownson.

Resolved that the Hon. Benjamin Emmons Esq. be appointed to join a committee from the House for the purpose of preparing a bill to be laid before the General Assembly directing the Committee of Payable what sums shall be paid for the several Militia done in this State in alarms &c.

Deacon Dudley Chase prepared a ^{verbal} petition to his Excellency
& Council in behalf of the proprietors of Bethel. That when
the Charter of Royalton is given out, it may not infringe on the
said Bethel. He having causes of fear that might be the case
unless due care be taken in describing said lines.

Council adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow.
Feb. 13th 1781. Not according to adjournment
An act to prevent a multiplicity of lawsuits was
again read and considered -

A resolve of the General Assembly appointing a
committee of eleven to join a committee from the
Council to report their opinion to the House when the
frontier lines shall be established. The ensuing campaign
was read - whereupon the Honorable Timothy Brownson
and Paul Spooner Esquires were appointed a Committee
to join said Committee from the House -

A resolve of the General Assembly appointing a
committee of three to arrange the business that is
likely to be done this session & report to the House
was read, whereupon the Hon. John Throop &
Ira Allen Esquires were chosen a committee from
the House.

Council adjourned until 2 O'clock P.M.

Not according to adjournment

A report of a Committee upon
John Chandler's selling Lands in Tamblinson
was read &

Adjourned to 8 O'clock Tomorrow -

July 14th 1781.

That according to Adjournment
A remonstrance signed Thomas Wait. William
Hall & Silas Wait was read.

A resolve of the General Assembly, granting
& releasing the charter fee of Joseph Penland in
the Township of Randolph was read, whereupon
the following was indorsed on said bill and
Remitted back to the House viz.

In Council July 14th 1781

The Council having taken into their due considera-
-tion the within resolve and altho they have
a tender feeling for and are sincerely willing & desirous
as in them lies consistent with justice to the
State in General to relieve the distress, yet as
the similar sufferings of the inhabitants of this State ^{are}
so numerous, they cannot see sufficient reasons for
the grant made in this bill (at this time) unless the
General Assembly have it in their power and have
a desire to grant immediate relief to all those
whom misfortune have been to suffer loss of property
in any degree, more or less in the Present War

An act entitled an act in alteration of an act
entitled an act concerning Delinquency was
read & concurred

Council Adjourned until half after
1 o'clock P.M.

Met according to Adjournment -

A petition signed Philip Smith was read. A Report of a Committee on Capt. Lee's Petition was read.

Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to join a committee from the House for the purpose of meeting upon the Committee appointed by a Convention held at Charleston with a Report of a Committee of both Houses of this State upon the subject of Jurisdictional Claims this day brought in. Members chosen Mr Allen, Mr Emmons & Mr Bassett

Adjourned to 9 O'clock Tomorrow -

In Council February 15th 1781,

Met according to Adjournment -

Resolved that it be recommended to the General Assembly that the further consideration of the Jurisdictional Claims laid and passed in both Houses yesterday be postponed until the next session of this Assembly & that an agent be appointed and fully authorized; ~~immediately~~ to wait upon the Legislature of the State of New York then convened in Albany to agree upon and establish the line between this State & the State of New York

Resolved that this Council do recommend to the House that they do as little business at this session as may

be arranging & doing that which may be absolutely necessary at present, & that they agree on some place to adjourn to, & leave it with Excellency with advice of Council to call the Assembly when necessary by advertisement or otherwise, when he may have returns from the several states to which letters are gone & further knowledge may be had respecting the War.

Attest Thomas Johnson Secy. Mem

Adjourned until 2 o'clock P.M.

Met according to adjournment.

A resolve of the House ^{appointing} to join a committee of two to join a committee of Council for the purpose of waiting on the committee of the Cornish convention with a letter signed Peter Woodward. This recd was read, whereupon a committee of two was appointed, members chosen Mr. Brownson & Mr. Allen

A petition signed Sarah Simons requesting liberty to go to Canada, was read, passed the House. Granted and concurred

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow

Windsor 16 February 1781

In Council date above.

Met according to adjournment.

A resolve of the General Assembly appointing a committee of two to join a committee from the Council to wait on the convention now sitting at Cornish with the report of the Committee to prepare an answer to the request of said convention was

read. whereupon Mr. Allen was chosen as a committee
from the Council for the said purpose.

Attest

Thomas Tolman Secy

A resolve of the General Assembly of the following
purport was read, viz:

State of Vermont

February 16th 1781 } In General Assembly Windsor.

Resolved that two persons be appointed and
added to the Board of War. The members chosen by ballot
are, the Hon^{ble} Benjamin Enmons Esq & Major Joseph Tyler

Extract from the Journals

Rashdappkins Clerk

Read and approved in Council

Thomas Tolman Secy

The following resolution was also read, viz:

State of

Vermont } In General Assembly Windsor February 16th 1781

Resolved that instead of instructions given to the
Board of War, in the last Session of this assembly empower
ing them to raise troops for the defence of this State
for a term not exceeding nine months, they be empowered
to raise such troops for eleven months and that the said
Board be authorised to appoint a commissary or
commissaries of if as they shall judge necessary,
and that they be authorised to meet the commissaries
of purchase to provide such camp utensils as they
shall find necessary. Extract from the Journals.

Attest Rashdappkins Clerk

Read & concurred in Council. attest Thomas Tolman Secy

Resolved that the Treasurer be directed to receive of Capt. William Gallup loan office certificates or notes and his own receipt to the amount of £ 1,118- 19- 6 for confiscated lands and pay to said Gallup \$ 29- 19- 6 the balance due to him as by his account which was in continental money the 26 of March 1778 —

N.B. the above mentioned amount to the above sum without interest, which interest amounts to £ 10- 10- in the money —

The following is taken from a manuscript exhibited by Captain Gallup and recorded in the journal by his particular request, viz: —

Are the subscribers being appointed by Mr. William Gallup of Hartford in the State of Vermont to apprais certain lots or parcels of land belonging to White Head Hicks (and gone over to the enemy) agreeable to a vote of the Hon^d House of Representatives of said State in March last, having and appraised sundry lots, as follows, being sworn to the faithful discharge of the trust &c, viz: one lot the property of Stevenson No 6. Second range containing 300 acres price 7/- per acre, purchased by John Sumner and Nehemiah Loomis —

One lot the property of Stevenson 3 range No 7. 288 acres, price 7/- per acre, purchased by Elias Wild & John Grove —

One lot the property of said Stevenson No 5. 3 range 300 acres price 7/- purchased by James Jernison —

One lot the property of White Head Hicks No 3. 4th range 300 acres - price 7/- purchased by Samuel Grove —

one lot the property of D White Head Hicks No 4. - 3 range
300 acres, purchased by Daniel Brigham. the 2^d price 7/8 price

on lot the property of the aforesaid Stevenson No 4. R-4
300 acres. 7/8 price purchased by William Catter

One of White Head Hicks aforesaid No 4. 2^d range 300
acres, price 6/6. purchased by D. Pratt

One of Stevenson No 2 - 3 range 300 acres price 6/6
purchased by Benjamin Heywood

one of White Head Hicks aforesaid No 2, 5th Range, 329 acres
price 7/- per acre, purchased by Mr. Gullup

Emathan Walker 1 Lot 2nd Range White H. Hicks, containing
193 acres @ 6/6 per acre.

The above and foregoing is a true return
of our doings as appearing by the records

Matthew Rust }
Charles Spaulding } appraisers

Recorded by order of Council

Attest Tho. Tolman Secy P.

Council Adjourned until 2 O'clock P.M.

Met according to adjournment, a resolve of the General Assembly
appointing a committee of nine to join a committee from the
Council to confer with the committee appointed by the conven-
tion now sitting at Cornish upon the terms of a Union
between the State of Vermont & the Inhabitants of the New
- Hampshire Grants, east of Connecticut river to the
a committee of four was appointed.

Prayer was read whereupon, the members chosen
Mr Allen, Mr Fayeth, Mr Spooner & Mr Emmons -

Attest Thomas Tolman Secy P.

Council Adjourned until 9 O'clock Tomorrow morning

February 17th 1781

Met according to adjournment, not a quorum of Council
by reason of being detached into committees,

Adjourned until 9 O'clock (Monday next).

Feb. 19th 1781

Council met according adjournment, and after deliberation
upon sundry matters of importance which are not
required to be entered upon the journal, the Council

Adjourned to 2 O'clock P.M.

Met according to adjournment, Resolved that
the Committee for receiving the Granting fees for the Land
Grants last October, are directed to receive from the proper
-clerk of the Township of Rochester two hundred bushels
wheat, into some proper store at Norwich, Hartford
& Windsor at 6/- per bushel towards said Granting fees.

A Resolve of the General Assembly appointing a committee
of three to join a committee from the Council to report
their opinion upon the a petition signed some
any was read whereupon a committee of two was
appointed to join said Committee, members chosen
Mr. Brownson & Mr. Fletcher.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow

Windsor Feb. 20th 1781

In Council date above. Not according to adjournment
A resolve of the General Assembly appointing a
committee of five to join a committee of the Council
to prepare a bill for a land tax, and make report was
read whereupon Mr. Bowker was chosen as a committee from
this Council

Attest Thomas Tolman Secy

Adjourned until 2 o'clock P.M.

Met according to adjournment
A resolve of the General Assembly appointing a committee
to join a committee from the Council to ascertain what
manner this State shall make up the depreciation to
Capt. Lee and his ~~company~~ independent company
being read.

Resolved that this Council do recommend to
the General Assembly (as their opinion) that there needs no
further order betaken on the subject of making good
the depreciation of the wages of those that have been in
service. but to resolve who shall be entitled to
receive such privilege from this State & direct
attested Rolls of such persons thus entitled, to be
exhibited to the Committee of Pay Table who (unless
some other scale is designed by the House) will think
it their duty to liquidate such accounts agreeable
to such Rolls and according to the established scale
of depreciation and issue their warrants to the
Treasurer accordingly.

Attest Thomas Tolman Secy P. Term
Council adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow

In Council Windsor 21st Feb'y. 1781

Met according to adjournment
A resolve of the General Assembly appointing a committee
of three to join a committee from the Council to ascertain
in what manner this State shall make up the depreciation
of wages to Capt. Lees independent Company &c. was
read whereupon a committee of two were appointed.
Members chosen Mr. Fletcher & Mr. Brownson. Thos Tolman Secy P.

A bill upon high ways was read and concerned with this alteration, that in lieu of 5 years for roads to be turned by the Compap. only two years be allowed —

A bill postponing the payment of the charter fees of the rights of the following persons in the township of Randolph, viz; Experience Davis, Timothy Miles Laddock Steel & William Evans for the term of five years, was read & concerned provided that the granting fees for said rights be secured to the State upon the Charter of said town being issued.

Attest Thomas Tolman Secy

An act, repealing an act for dividing the 4th Regt and forming a 7th regt of Militia, was read and concerned

An act for dividing the first regiment, and establishing a seventh regt. was read & concerned —

An act directing County Elections was read & concerned

An act for establishing ~~County~~ towns in the several ~~Quarters~~ in this State and the time for holding supreme and County Courts therein was proposed to the House in lieu of one sent from the Assembly —

An act in addition to & in alteration of a certain clause of an act entitled an act regulating proprietors Meetings was read & concerned —

An act continuing sundry civil officers in office as therein specified, was read & concerned —

A resolve of the General Assembly appointing a committee of three to join a committee of Council to take into consideration the expediency of emitting a sum of money, was read, whereupon a committee of two was appointed, members chosen. Mr Barker & McChondler

Council adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M.
Met according to adjournment.

An act in addition to the Militia Act, read & concurred.

An act directing the payment of the militia when called into service, read and concurred.

Resolved that an order be drawn ^{by his excellency} on the selectmen of the town of Westminster for forty bushels of wheat or an equivalent in flour to be delivered to Messrs. Spooner & Green. they to be accountable.

Resolved that the Treasurer be directed to call upon such persons as have rec'd. guns being the property of this State. to return them to him at a limited time. (which he may affix by advertisement) or the value of said guns in money.

A survey bill, signed Hazel Shepherd, County Surveyor, describing the bounds of a tract of land granted to Captain Elias Hamilton, was read whereupon
Resolved that a charter be given out accordingly.

A petition signed David Hynes, Jonathan Griswold, John Kingsley, Caleb Harmon, Joshua Harmon, Medad

Persons, Elisha Downs, Elisha Nicholas, Phineas Wright,
David Powers, Eleazer Hawks, John Lawrence, Roswell
Mosley, John Smith, Joseph Wickum, Elnathan Hubbell
Rufus Branch, & Leuciah Merrill, praying that
the several fines laid on them by a judgement
of the Supreme Court holden at Bennington in the
month of January last be remitted them & each
of them, was read & the question being put whether
they be remitted, it passed in the affirmative.

Tom. Solomon Secy P. B.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow

Windsor 22^d February 1781 -

Not according to adjournment

A resolve of the General Assembly appointing a Committee
of five to join a Committee of Council to prepare instructions
for the Agents appointed to wait on the Legislature of
New York, was read, whereupon a Committee of two
were appointed. members chosen Mr. Throop & Mr. Emmons

A resolve of the General Assembly appointing a
~~committee~~ the Hon. Sca Allen Esq, & Major Joseph Fay
agents with full power and authority to agree upon
and establish the line between this State and the State
of New York, was read & concurred

A resolve of the General Assembly acquitting Aaron
Rising, John Noble, Levi Downs & Ephraim Noble of
Rupert of the several quotas of provisions tax as prayed
for by a petition signed by the said persons setting

forth then several copies by fire was read & concurred.

A resolve of the General Assembly that the articles of union agreed to and proposed by the committee of this Legislature to a committee of the Convention be & is hereby confirmed and solemnly do pledge the faith of this State that said articles be held sacred. was read, & the question being put whether it be ~~confirmed~~ concurred. It passed in the affirmative.

A resolve of the General Assembly confirming Reuben Harmon of Rutland in some certain rights of land was read & concurred.

Resolved that the ~~term of~~ ^{the} payment of the granting fees of the township of Wardsborough be postponed till the first Wednesday of April next.

A resolve of the General Assembly granting the prayer of a petition signed Daniel West. was read & concurred.

A resolve of the General Assembly postponing the payment of the granting fees of the several proprietors under named of Royalton for the term of five years. was read & concurred. Also further resolved that the time of payment of the granting fees for the remaining proprietors of the said township of Royalton. be postponed until the first Wednesday of April next.

Attest. Thomas Tolman Secy P. Gen
Schedule of those persons or proprietors allowed five years of payment viz -

(over)

Schedule

Timothy Durkee
 Hermandurkee
 Eden Durkee
 Timothy Durkee Jr
 David Fisk
 Joseph Fisk
 David Brewster
 Lebulon Lyon
 Elias Stevens
 Robert Hendey
 Calvin Packhurst
 James Cooper
 Joseph Packhurst
 Joseph Havers
 Elisha Kent
 Daniel Rix
 Garner Rix
 Joseph John Rix
 Meadad Benton
 John Haller

Nathan Morgan
 John Billings
 Benjamin Fay
 Israel Walldon
 Tily Packhurst
 Phineas Packhurst
 Isaac Packhurst
 Ebenezer Packhurst
 Daniel Gilbert
 Simeon Stephaen
 Jeremiah Fiscott
 Nathaniel Prop
 Widow Sarah Reed
 Isaac Morgan
 Elias Curtis
 Robert Havers
 Daniel Havers
 John reans
 Martin Fuller
 Jonathan Benton

An act of a quieting disputes concerning landed property was read & concurred -

State of }
 Vermont } Windsor 22 February 1781

To the Hon^{rs} the General Assembly now sitting.
 Your committee appointed by the General Assembly
 empowering them to prepare instructions for the agents
 appointed to settle the line between the State of New York
 and this State, beg leave to report as follows, viz: That

It is our opinion that it be referred to the Governor
& Council to give said agents instructions & full
power to settle and establish the boundary line
between the State of New York and this State
"Benjamin Whipple Chairman"

In General Assembly 22 February the above report
was read & accepted
"Wm. R. Hopkins Clerk"

An act for the division of Counties within this State was read
and accepted concurred -

An act for the division of Probate districts in the
several Counties, was read & concurred -
Adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow -

Windsor 23 Feb. 1781

In Council date above. Put according to adjournment

A resolution of the General Assembly appointing
a committee to join a committee from the
Council to consider the matter of making up
the depreciation of Col^o Warner's Regiment, and
Captain Lee's Company, was read, whereupon
Mr. Brownson was chosen as a committee for the
purpose from the Council -

Upon motion made that Bryant Brown of
Windsor be appointed Sheriff in the room of Major
Benjamin Wait for the County of Cumberland for the

time being Resolved that the said Bryant Brown be
and he is hereby appointed for the time being -

Attest Thomas Tolman Secy P. Sen

The question being put who will be bound for the said
Bryant Brown. Joseph Throop Esq. & Cap Lael Ely appear
in the presence of his Excellency the Gov. & St. Gov. & Council
acknowledged themselves bound unto the
Treasurer of this State in the just sum of \$1,000 -

The condition of this obligation (or recognizance)
is such that if the above said Bryant Brown doth
well & trusty discharge the duty of Sheriff in the county
of Cumberland during the time he shall serve, then the
above obligation to be void & none effect, otherwise in full force
and virtue

Attest Thomas Tolman Secy P. Sen

A resolve of the General assembly appointing a committee to
join a committee of Council to take into consideration a
petition signed William Williams was read whereupon
Mr. Brownson was appointed a committee to join S. Committee
from the House -

A resolve of the General assembly appointing a committee
to join a committee from the Council for giving instructions
to the committee appointed to direct & instruct the printing
of a book of money, was read whereupon a committee was
appointed. members chosen Mr. Fessett -

A Resolve of the Assembly upon a matter relating to the will of
Sarah Chaffee was read & concurred -

In General Assembly 23^d February 1781

Resolved that a certain tract of land lying and being situate on the east side of Wallingford containing by examination nine thousand seven hundred acres be granted to Abraham Jackson Esq. & associates to the number of thirty to be annexed to & incorporated with the town of Wallingford & that the Governor & Council be requested to make out a charter of incorporation of the same to the said Abraham Jackson Esquire & his associates on such conditions & with such reservations as they shall deem necessary.

Extracts from the journals of Hopkins Clerk

Resolved. that the granting fees for the Gore of land granted to Ab^m Jackson Esq. & associates to the number of thirty be nine pounds for right & be paid the first day of June next and to be settled in three years from the said first day of June next. which will be in the year 1784 — — — Attest Thomas Johnson Secy. P. Gen^l

State of
Vermont }

In General Assembly Feby. 23^d 1781

Resolved that there be & hereby is granted unto Joseph Bowker Esq. James Claghorn Isabel Andrews and Thaddeus Curtis Esq. & Company to the number of thirty four the following tract of land situate and lying in this State bounded as follows viz. beginning at the southeast corner of Rutland thence north 4 Deg. East on Rutland East line five miles and 80 rods to the southwest corner of the township of Chittenden then east 20 Degrees. north two miles 100 rods in the

South line of Chittenden to Killington west line to the
South west corner thereof. Thence east 28 degs. south, five
& a half miles to ~~Wrentham~~ South east corner thence
west four degrees north six miles to the first mentioned
bounds containing about 8,890 acres. The Governor &
Council are hereby requested to issue a Charter of
incorporation of said tract unto Joseph Barber Esq
& Company by the name of Medway under such
restrictions & upon such conditions as they shall
judge best

Extract from the Journals

Rose Hopkins Clerk

Resolved that the granting fees for the tract of land
granted to Joseph Barber & company ~~by~~ the name
of Medway, in number thirty-four be seven pence
ten shillings. the time of payment, the first day of June next &
the time for the settlement of said land to be within three
years from the said first day of June next

Adjourned until two o'clock

Met according to adjournment

A resolve of the General Assembly directing the method of
appointing representatives read & concurred —

A resolve of the General Assembly granting certain lands
to the widow Elizabeth Baldwin was read & concurred —

An act directing County Elections was read & concurred —

An act for the purpose of emitting a sum of money was read and
concurred —

Windsor 23^d Feby. 1781

State of }
Vermont }

In General Assembly date above

Resolved that a grant of land be made to Col^o

William Williams & associates 26 in number, bounded

as follows viz: East on Wilmington. North by Sumner

west by upon Woodford & south by upon a tract of land

petitioned for by Benjamin Henshaw & others comprising

a tract of four miles square and that His Excellency

& Council be requested to make out a charter of said

township to Col^o Williams & associates under such restric-

tions & reservations as they may think proper.

Extracts from the Journals of the House

Attest Ros^o Hopkins Clerk.

Resolved that the granting fees of the tract of land

described in the above bill in form granted to Colonel

William Williams & associates be £ 10⁰ 0⁰ 0 p: right

time of payment June 1st 1781. and settlement to be

made on said land within three years —

Attest Thomas Johnson Secy P.S.

State of }
Vermont }

In General Assembly 23 Feby. 1781

Resolved that a grant of land be made to Robert

Bratten & associates 7 in number on the northeast corner

of Whitingham, including the quantity of two thousand

acres, & the Governor & Council are requested to give a

Charter of said land under such restrictions and

reservations as they may think proper —

Extract from the Journals

Ros. Hopkins Clerk

Resolved that the granting fees to be paid on the tract of land granted to Robert Bratten and associates in quantity 2000 acres as above be one shilling per acre, the time for the payment to be on the first day of June next and to be settled within three years

Attest ~~Robert Bratten~~ Clerk

Thomas Solomon Secy P.S.

End of February Session at Windsor

Arlington 6 April 1781

Resolved, that application be made to Major William Goodrich be made to furnish the State of Vermont with six tons of Lead, four tons of which he is hereby earnestly requested to deliver to Maj. Fay at Bennington with 12,000 good gun flints with all convenient dispatch & the other two tons of lead & 6,000 flints to be forwarded to Windsor in said State to be consigned to Major Benjamin Wait. copy delivered Major Goodrich -

Jos. Fay Secy -

Arlington 6th March 1781

In consequence of your being appointed to procure some lead for the use of this State which will be attended with expense -

You are therefore hereby authorized to call upon Gentlemen who may have money to pay into the Treasury of this State for lands. for any sum you may have occasion for. And your receipt shall answer on settlement with the Treasurer for granting fees.

Major Goodrich -

Thos. Chittenden

On ~~petition~~ made for sending the Commissioners appointed to settle the boundary line between the States of New York & Vermont, to Albany with instructions for that purpose, the question being put it passed in the negative, as also not to write any further to the General Assembly of New-York at present.

Adjourned until 9 o'clock tomorrow —

March 7th in Council 1781

Council met according to adjournment.

On application made to this Council by Capt. Rayment Resolved, to authorize the town clerk of the town of Stamford as follows, viz;

To Israel Mead, town clerk for the town of Stamford. This to authorize and fully empower you in your capacity of Town Clerk to administer the oath of allegiance to any Gentleman inhabitant of said town of Stamford, that may during your continuance in said Clerk's office as also the oath prescribed in the constitution of this State to each respective officer legally chosen in a lawful public town meeting, as also the oath of allegiance & the freemen's oath to any inhabitant of said town who is or may in future be entitled to it by the constitution, until some other proper authority be appointed and empowered in said town —

By order of the Governor & Council
Joseph Fay Secy

Copy delivered —

Resolved that two agents be appointed to proceed to Albany and make inquiry with regard to the

measures pursued by the State of New York for the defence
of the northern frontiers and report to this Council. Col. Ira
Allen & Major Joseph Fay are hereby appointed for the above
purpose —————

Journals of Council at their Session Held in Windsor

April 4th 1781

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State of {
Vermont} In Council Windsor April 4th 1781

This day his excellency the Governor & the following
members of the Hon. Council met according to adjournment
viz: The Hon. Jeremiah Clark, John Fapett & Ira Allen, there
not being a quorum present

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow morning
Thursday in Council 5th April 1781—

Met according to adjournment—
at which time the Hon. Paul Spooner, Benjamin Emerson
and Samuel Fletcher Esquires joined in Council
also Hon. John Throop Esq.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow
Windsor April 6th 1781.

In Council Friday date above

Met according to adjournment at which time his
Hon. Gen. Carpenter took his seat in Council —

Resolved that the Hon. Ira Allen & Paul Spooner Esquires be a committee to join a committee from the Assembly to arrange the necessary business of the present session.

Resolved that Jeremiah Clark join a committee from the Assembly to consider a petition from the inhabitants of Sunderland in the State of Vermont.

Resolved, that Ira Allen, Samuel Fletcher, & John Tapett Esquires be a committee to join a committee from the Assembly to consider & provide for the defence of the frontiers of this State.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow
Saturday in Council Windsor 7 April 1781

Met according to adjournment
Abraham Ives being elected Sheriff for the County of Rutland and a warrant given for a commission by which he is authorised to execute that office, and for the faithful discharge of duty acknowledges himself bound & recognised to the Treasurer of this State in the sum of two thousand pounds L. Money. Elisha Smith Esq & Lt. Roswell Post Stand as security -

Attest Joseph Fay Secy

Adjourned to 8 o'clock Monday next -

Monday in Council 9 April 1781

Met according to adjournment. Having proceeded to appoint Committees & transact the necessary business of the day

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Tuesday In Council Windsor 11th April 1781

Met according to adjournment. and having joined the Assembly in a Committee of both Houses & transacted the ^{other} necessary business of the day by sundry sub committees
Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Wednesday In Council at Windsor 11th April 1782

Met according to adjournment. and having met the ^{Grand} Committee according to the order of the day and transacted the other business by sundry committees.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Thursday In Council April 12 1781

Council Met according to adjournment.

A petition of Daniel Billiston Esq. & others concerning the Township of Brookfield. was read. whereupon resolved that the time for making out the Charter of said Brookfield be postponed until the Session of Assembly in October next.

Attest Joseph Fay secy.

A Remonstrance ~~signed~~ signed Leonard Spaulding and a number of inhabitants against the County Elections for the County of Windham requesting the commissions of a number who were appointed into office might be suspended.
Whereupon

Resolved that the Commission for Samuel Knight who stands appointed to the Office of Justice of the Peace and also Noah Salines who stands appointed as Judge of Probate. be ~~suspended~~ suspended for the present

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Friday Ion Council Windsor 18th April 1781.

(Not according to adjournment)

A petition signed by Mr. Abel Thomson & Company in behalf of himself & associates praying for a grant of a township of land whereupon the Council do recommend to the General Assembly to grant the prayer of said petition.

In General Assembly 18th April 1781

Resolved, that there be & hereby is granted unto Abel Thomson & Company being sixty in number, whose names are annexed to a schedule annexed to the petition exhibited to this Assembly, a grant of a township of land situate and lying in said State, to contain twenty five thousand acres, bordering on the towns of Middlebury Salisbury and Lewiston & to cover part of the land Governor Sumner is said to have given himself. That the Surveyor General be directed to locate such grant to said Thomson and Company accordingly. And that the Governor & Council be requested to make out a charter of incorporation to the said Thomson & Company by the name of Ripton under such conditions, reservations & restrictions as they shall judge best. Copy given p:

Joseph Fay Secy

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of Ripton granted this day to Mr. Abel Thomson & Company pay six hundred & sixty pounds £ money in silver or gold that one hundred pounds be paid down and one hundred pounds by the 15 day of June next if not paid by that time so much of the land to be sold as amounts to the hundred pounds last mentioned. The remainder to be paid by the first Thursday October next at which time a

Charter of incorporation shall be given in which the conditions & reservations will be more fully specified

Copy given p.

Joseph Fay Secy

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State of {
Vermont { In General Assembly 13th April 1781

Resolved to recommend, and it is hereby recommended to his Excellency the Governor to issue his proclamation appointing such day as he may judge to be observed as a day of public thanksgiving and prayer throughout this State -

Attest Roswell Hopkins Clerk

A Committee from the General Assembly being appointed viz: Mr. Payne, Mr. Omsby, Mr. Bentice Mr. Woodward Mr. Parry, Mr. Page & Mr. Giles to confer with the Governor & Council relative to appointing officers both civil & military on the east side of the Mountain River

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow
Saturday 14th April 1781 met according to adjournment
and adjourned to 8 o'clock Monday next

In Council Monday, Windsor 16th April 1781

met according to adjournment -

Resolved that John Fapett Esq^r join a committee from the house to make a depreciation scale -

Thomas Ruffel Esq is hereby appointed for the time being an assistant judge in and for the County of Orange in lieu of Col^l Robert Johnson

The following gentlemen were nominated and are hereby appointed for the time being. Justices of the Peace & Judges of the County Court for the County of Orange Windsor, viz:

Elisha Payne Esquire Chief Judge	
Joseph Marsh Esq	Dea Woodward Esq
Benjamin Emmons Esq	John Wild Esq

Samuel Chase	William Ripley
Moses Whipple	John Stevens
Abel Stevens	John Wheatley
Elihu Hyde	Aaron Barney
Bazabel Woodward	Jonathan Freeman

Justices of the Peace
of said County

Resolved that Bazabel Woodward Esq be & he is hereby appointed Judge of Probate for the District of Dresden for the time being —

A Remonstrance signed by a number of the inhabitants of Rockingham against the gentlemen who were appointed by County election to the several offices of said County praying the Council to suspend granting them commissions, was read whereupon the question being put whether the be suspended agreeable to Remonstrance which passed in the negative —

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow
Tuesday in Council Windsor 17th April 1781 —

Council met according to adjournment
The following gentlemen were nominated & are hereby appointed for the time being Justices of the Peace for the

County of Orange, viz:

Joseph Pauly, Samuel Rise, Elisha Cleveland
Timothy Bruck, Thomas Russell, Israel Macey
Jonathan Child, Joshua Coff. Enoch Page
Nathaniel Rogers (of Norristown) & Nathaniel Hodges Esq.
Resolved that Beza Woodward Esq. be & he is hereby
appointed Secretary Protempore —

The following was agreed on by the Council as a form of a
commission for the justices of the several Counties in this State.
viz: — His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq. Govr. Capt. Genl.
Commander in Chief in and over the State of Vermont
To — greeting — You and each of you being elected
and appointed justices of the Peace within and for the
County of — Know ye, that I the said Governor, in the
name and by the authority of the freemen of the State of
Vermont do hereby authorize and empower you and
every one of you Justices, to keep the peace in the said
County of — and to keep and cause to be kept all ordi-
nances and statutes enacted for the preservation of
the peace and for the quiet rule & Government of the
people within said County, according to the form force &
effect of a law of this State — and to chastise and punish
according to law, all persons, that offend against the
same. And you are further, to hear & determine all
and singular, the causes and suits (at any time) brought
before you according to the laws & statutes of this State
as in the like cases it ought to be done. And you and
each of you are to make & cause to be kept true
records of all and singular your doings in the
premises, as well of Writs, precepts, process, indictments

judgements & executions as of all other matters & things which respect the execution of your said office - and all persons are to ~~take~~ notice hereof and govern themselves accordingly. Given under my hand and the seal of the State of Vermont this - day of - A.D. -

Commissions were issued for the judges of the County courts for the Counties of Rutland, Windham, Windsor, & Orange & for the justices of the Counties of Windsor & Orange also a warrant for the judges of Probate for the district of Dresden in Windham County & towns adjoining -

His Honor the Deputy Governor & his Honor Paul Spooner Esq. left the Council board - Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow
Attest Betsy Woodward Secy. S.

Wednesday In Council Windsor 18th April 1781 -

Bryant Brown who was elected sheriff for the County of Windsor resigned his said office of sheriff, which resignation was accepted by the Council, and the office was accordingly declared vacant - The Governor & Council then took into their consideration the appointment of a sheriff for the said County for the time being, whereupon -

Resolved, that Capt. Eleazer Brewster of Dresden be & hereby is appointed sheriff for the said County of Windsor for the time being in the room of Bryant Brown - resigned -

Resolved that the fourth Wednesday in May next be & hereby is appointed for a day of public Fasting and

prayer throughout this State ~~and the question~~
~~being put~~

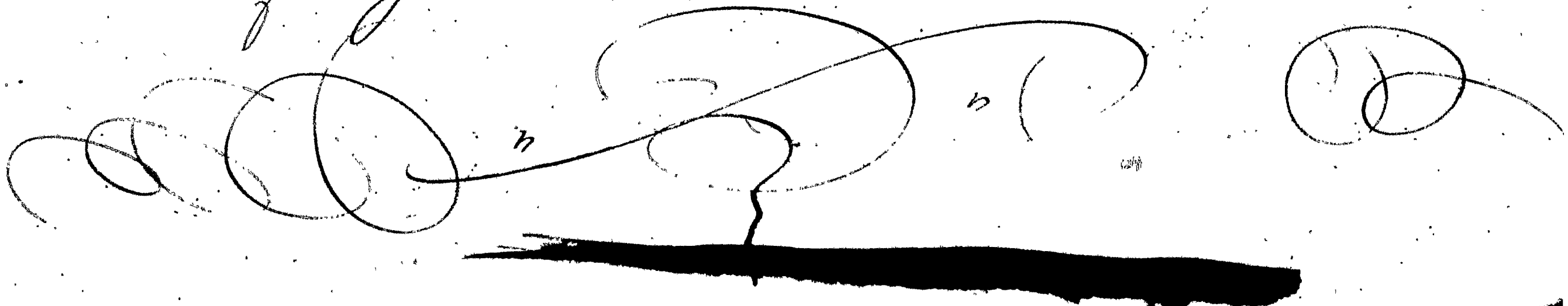
The question being put, "who will be bound for the
said Sheriff" the said Eleazer Brewster as principle
& Col. Elisha Payne & Major Thomas Merdock as
sureties, jointly and severally acknowledge
themselves indebted to the Treasurer of the State of
Vermont in the sum of two thousand pounds
lawful money - Conditioned that if the above named
Eleazer Brewster shall & will faithfully discharge
and execute the office of Sheriff for the County of Windsor
for the time being, then this recognisance to be void,
otherwise to be and remain in full force & virtue,
and a warrant was issued to the said Sheriff accordingly
Also Warrants - also Warrants to the Judges of Probate for
the district of Windsor & Danvershill

Attest Betsey Woodward Secy P. G. S.

The Governor, Council & General Assembly having
completed the business of the present session agreed

Adjourn without day

End of Session held at Windsor

A large, ornate decorative flourish consisting of several overlapping loops and swirls, with a horizontal line at the bottom. To the right of the flourish is a small, circular stamp or seal.

Journals of Council
at their Session holden at Arlington.
April 25th 1781.

Arlington April 25th 1781.

This day the following Members of Council met by his Excellency's summons viz. Jonas Fay, Moses Robinson, Ira Allen, and John Fassett Esquires. There not being a quorum.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning
April 26. 1781

Met according to adjournment. The Hon. Timothy Brownson, and Jeremiah Clark Esq. joined the Council. Resolved that the Hon. Ira Allen Esq. & Major Isaac Clark be, & they are hereby appointed Agents to proceed to the Province of Canada, & to treat with the Commissioners to be appointed on the part of the British in Canada, to agree on, & settle a Cartel for the Exchange of prisoners and make Returns to this Council.

Arlington 26. April 1781.

Resolved that the Captain General notify the officers of the Militia in the Counties of Bennington and Rutland to make returns of the deficiency of ammunition in their respective Regiments, &c. and receive orders for their Supply, which will be delivered on account of Money due to the Militia for Services done.

Resolved that Joseph Farnsworth Esq. Commissary of Purchases be, and hereby is directed to receive

and receipt the ammunition belonging to this State and to be accountable

Resolved that Mosey Robinson Esq^r be, & hereby is appointed in lieu of Ira Allen Esq^r to attend the Convention to be holden at Cambridge on the second Wednesday of May next

Resolved that there be and hereby is appointed four persons to take a Tour into the new territory lately claimed by this State of Vermont, adjoining to, and lying East of Hudson River, to learn the sense of the people relative to joining this State. Persons chosen, Matthew Lyon Jonathan Fassett, Joseph Fay and Thomas Butterfield. Either ^{two} of the above persons are directed to proceed as above specified

Resolved that whereas it has been represented that Col. Gideon Warren has removed with his effects out of the ancient jurisdiction of this State, and whereas it is viewed by this Council to be necessary that a quorum of the Board of War convene on business at this time. Therefore Resolved that Jonathan Fassett Esq^r be, and hereby is appointed for the time being to supply the place in the Board of War of Col. Warren

Joseph Fay Secretary

Adjourned without day

At Arlington May 26 1781

In council Resolved that an Embargo be, and hereby is laid on the Exportation of all kinds of provisions out of this state that is necessary & suitable for the Army for thirty days next coming.

Bennington 30th April 1781

Personally appeared Jonas Galeha who is elected sheriff in & for the county of Bennington, Captain David Galeha, and Captain Abiather Waldo as his Sureties, and acknowledged themselves jointly & severally recognized & bound unto the Treasurer of this of this state in the sum of two thousand pounds Lawful Money for the faithful performance of the said Jonas in his said office of Sheriff in & for the county aforesaid in discharging of the duties & for the answering all such damages as any person or persons shall sustain by any unfaithfulness or neglect in the Execution of the said office.

Attest Joseph Fay Secy

Journals of Council
at their Session Holden at -

Bennington June 13 1781

State of } In Council.

Vermont } Bennington 13 June 1781

Present, His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq^r his Honor Benjamin Carpenter Esq^r Lt Gov. & the following Members of the Hon. Council, viz.

Hon. Jonas Fay

Moses Robinson

Timothy Brownson

Ira Allen

John Fassett

Thomas Chandler Jun^r

Paul Spooners

John Throop

Benjamin Emmons

Jeremiah Carpenter Esq^r

Joseph Fay Secy

Whereas Complaint has this day been Exhibited to this Council by Thomas Porter Esq^r & Col. Ebenezer Walbridge against Jedah Paddock Spooner, Timothy Green, Samuel Avery & Ezra Stiles Esq^r suspecting them to be Confederate in Counterfeiting the bills of Credit of this State.

Therefore Resolved that a Warrent issue from this Council to apprehend said persons to be brought before this Council for Examination.

Resolved that this Council be & hereby is adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning

Thursday 14 June 1781

To his Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq^r & the Hon. Council of the State of Vermont, Comes Ebenezer Walbridge and Thomas Porter Esquires Committee for Signing the bills of Credit Emitted by this State, and on both Complain inform & give said Governor & Council to understand, that this Instant 13 June your Complainants have received a forty shilling bill of Mr. Martin of this State Currency No 36, which your Complainants are very confident is not of their signing & counterfeit, that your Complainants have just reason to suspect & do suspect Jedah Paddock Spooner, Timothy Green, Samuel Avery & Ezra Stiles Esq^r of Westminster in the County of Windsor are concerned in the wicked plan of Counterfeiting said money, all which wicked conduct is contrary to the force & effect of a certain Statute Law of this State in such case made & provided, and against the peace & dignity of the Freemen of this State. Your Complainants therefore pray, a writ may go forth to apprehend said persons that they may be examined & Dealt with as the Law directs

Bennington June 13 1781

Sworn before me date above

Ebenezer Walbridge

Thomas Porter

Moses Robinson Assistant

State of Vermont Bennington June 13 1781
To the Sheriff of the county of Windham, his Deputy or
either of the constables of Westminster and for want of a proper
officer. to be had with convenience

To Benjamin Fay Esq. Greeting

You are hereby authorized & commanded in the name and
by the authority of the freemen of the State of Vermont, to apprehend
the bodies of the above named Judah P. Spooner, Timothy
Green, Samuel Avery, & Ezra Stiles Esq. all of Westminster in the
County of Windham & them forthwith bring before the Governor
and Council in the Council chamber in Bennington and
make diligent search in all suspected places, & Break Locks &
Doors for Counterfeit money, hereby fail not & of their Writ &
your doings make returns according to Law

By order

Joseph Fay Secy.

Westminster 15 June 1781

When personally served the within Warrant
by attaching the bodies of the within named Defendants &
have them now in Court

Benjamin Sheriff

State of Vermont In council Bennington 13 June 1781

To the Sheriff of the county of Bennington or his Deputies
of either of the Constables of said Town. Greeting.

You are hereby commanded in the name & by the authority
of the Freemen of the State of Vermont to apprehend the bodies of
Samuel Avery & Ezra Stiles Esq. & cause them to be brought
forthwith before this Council to answer a complaint this

day exhibited by Thomas Porter Esq^r & Col. Ebenezer Walbridge
against the said ~~Avery~~ & Stiles suspecting them to be confeder-
ate in counterfeiting the bills of Credit of this state, hereof you
may not fail & return this Writ with your doings hereon
given under my hand date above

By order of Council

Joseph Fay Secy

Bennington June 14 1781

When served the Within Warrant by apprehending the bodies
of the within named Samuel Avery and Ezra Stiles & have
them now before this Council

Jonas Galusha Sheriff

State of }
Vermont }

County & town of Bennington, in Council
Chamber 14 June 1781

To Serjeant Rufus Branch or Stephen Hopkins,

You are hereby required and commanded to take
to your assistance three faithful men with arms and ammu-
nition, as soon as this shall come to your hand, and proceed
to some narrow passway on the road on the East Mountain that
leads to Woodford & place your guard at a proper distance
from the road, so as to discover all persons who may pass, and
to stop & take into custody all whom you shall find passing
to the Eastward so as not to be discovered till this evening them
to return them to Bennington - You will take special care
not to discover yourselves to any who may be passing to the West-
ward - hereof you may not fail

By order of the Governor and Council

Joseph Fay Secy

According to the direction of the within Warrant, I proceed to the East Mountain & fulfilled the directions of the Within Warrant, but found no persons passing to the Eastward.

Per Stephen Hopkins

Bennington June 15th 1781.

Mr Samuel Avery and Ezra Stiles Esq^s who were made prisoners on suspicion of being confederate in counterfeiting the bills of Credit of this State were examined and liberated for the present.

Adjourned until 7 o'clock Tomorrow morning

Friday 15th June 1781

Council met according to adjournment & proceeded to business.

Date above personally appeared Jonathan Hunt Esq^r who is elected Sheriff in & for the County of Windham within this State, as principle, Luke Knowlton and Abner Hunt Esq^s as sureties & acknowledge themselves jointly & severally authorized & bound unto the Treasurer of this State in the sum of two thousand pounds Lawful Money for the faithful performance of the said Jonathan in his said office of Sheriff in and for said County in discharging the duty, and for the answering of all such damages as any person or persons shall sustain by any unfaithfulness or neglect in the Execution of said office.

Attest Joseph Fay Sec^y.

Bennington 15 June 1781.

Personally appeared Col. Robert Johnson who is elected Sheriff in & for the County of Orange within this State

as principle, Captain Luther Richardson & Col. John
Toplin as sureties, and acknowledge themselves jointly &
severally, recognized & bound unto the Treasurer of this State
in the sum of two thousands pounds Lawful money
for the for the faithful performance of the said Colonel
Robert Johnson in the said office of Sheriff in & for said county,
in discharging the duty, and for the answering of such dam-
ages as any person or persons shall sustain by any unfaith-
fulness or neglect in the Execution of said office

Attest Joseph Fay Sec^y

Council adjourned until 8 o'clock Tomorrow morning
Saturday 16 June 1781

Council met according to adjournment

Having passed the day & nothing matter of Record
agreed to adjourn until Monday next one o'clock afternoon

Monday 16 June 1781

Council met according to adjournment & pro-
ceeded to business

Mr. Spooner, Printer, & John Gould
having been made prisoners on suspicions of being confederate in
counterfeiting the bills of Credit of this State were examined & and
liberated for the present

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning

Tuesday 19 June 1781

Council met according to adjournment His Excellency the
governor and council joined in Committee of the whole

voted Timothy Brownson Esq^r to join a Committee
from the Assembly to revise the Militia Act & report

Voted that his Honour Gov Carpenter & John Throop Esq^r, join a Committee from the Assembly to make a bill of Depreciation for the payment of Warner's Regiment.

Voted that Col. Robinson be added to the above committee.

Voted that his honor Doctor Spooner wait on the General Assembly to request them to appoint a Trustee of Loan office.

The following is a copy of a resolution of the General Assembly - viz.

State of Vermont, In General Assembly June 19th 1781

Resolved that Col. Ira Allen be, and he is hereby appointed Trustee of Loan office for this State.

Extract from the Journals.

Roswell Hopkins Clerk.

Resolved that Mr. Samuel Sherman be employed to ride post from his Excellency's in Arlington to Camp. Head Quarters once a week three months from the date, to up one road by the way of Benning & return by the way of Pawlet, that for his encouragement he be allowed fourteen shillings per week out of this States Treasury, he to convey all public letters & dispatches free of all other expense - Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning

Wednesday 20 June 1781

Council met according to adjournment.

No matters of record having passed this day adjourned until tomorrow morning

Thursday 21st June 1781

Council met according to adjournment

A remonstrance signed Benjamin Sutton and others, inhabitants of Stamford to the number of two against Benjamin Tupper being commissioned as Justice of the Peace, was read, said

Tupper having been notified to appear at this time in vindication
of his cause, Edward Thigley and two others of the remonstrance
appeared, the said Tupper not having ^{appeared} to make defence several
evidences were taken in support of said remonstrance, this coun-
cil having taken the same under consideration and are of
opinion that his appointment is illegal, and order that his com-
mission be suspended

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

Thomas Chandler Esq. moved for a dismission
from Council for the present session which was granted
Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow
morning

Friday June 22 1781

Council met according to adjournment.

Voted that Jeremiah Clark & Paul Spooners Esq. join committee
from the General Assembly, to take under consideration the bills
of Credit of this State

Voted that Colonel Moses Robinson be a
committee to join a committee from the General Assembly
upon a petition signed Jonathan Grant in behalf of the in-
habitants of Lunenburg

Voted that the Treasurer be, & he is hereby
appointed to pay unto Joseph Farnsworth Esq. Commissary General
of purchases, the sum of 60 pounds Lawful money in Specie for
the purpose of disbursing the sum upon a particular contract,
made between the said Commissary & Arad Hunt of Winsdale
vender for cattle purchased for the use of the state, he the said
commissary General to be accountable

Attest Thomas Solman Secy.

State of Vermont in General Assembly June 20 1781

The votes being called for a Brigadier General of the first Brigade, Col. Samuel Tappan was elected

The votes being called for a Brigadier Gen. for the second Brigade Col. Samuel Fletcher was elected

Extract from the Minutes

B. Woodard Clerk. P. T.

Voted that Nathaniel Prentice Esq. of Alsted be, & he is hereby appointed an assistant judge for the County Court in & for the county of Washington until another may be chosen by regular election & qualified to succeed agreeable to the constitution of this State

By order of his Excellency & Council

Thomas Tolsman Secy.

Council adjourned until tomorrow morning 8 o'clock

Saturday June 23 1781

Met according to adjournment

Resolved that the Charter for the Township of Jamaica be drawn so as to extend to the east side of Stratton, thereby including a gore of land lying East of said Stratton, & that the number of 10 persons more be added as proprietors in said Township of Jamaica, and the Surveyor General is hereby directed to draw the bounds of said charter accordingly. Resolved that ^{judge} Jones be, & he is hereby appointed to insert the names of Nathaniel S. Prentice Esq. in the commission for the judges of the County Court for the County of Washington as assistant judge.

Council adjourned to 2 o'clock afternoon

Nothing saved as matter of Record & adjourned till Monday morning 9 o'clock

Monday June 25th 1781

Council met according to adjournment

His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq. being absent by illness, his Honor the Lt. Governor in the Chair, having joined sundry committees from the General Assembly.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning
Tuesday 26 June 1781

Council met according to adjournment.

Resolved that Col. Israel Morey be & hereby is appointed Judge of Probate for the time being in & for the district of Waverhill in the County of Orange.

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning

Wednesday 27 June 1781

Met according to adjournment

Agreeable to the request of the General Assembly of yesterday, Resolved that Col. Henry Ammanual Luttrell & Major Thomas Coggesell be, and they are hereby authorized, & to Locate a tract of land six miles square in some unappropriated part of this State in such form as to join in form to some Town or Towns granted by this State & make returns of such Location to Isaac Allen Esq. Surveyor General of this State in order to obtain a charter of incorporation.

Per order of His Excellency The Gov. & Council
Joseph Fay Secy.

Resolved that Brigadier General John Glover and John Patterson be & they are hereby appointed empowered and fully authorized to Locate a tract of land six miles square in some unappropriated part of this State in such form as to join some town or towns granted by this State & make returns to Isaac Allen Esq. Surveyor General of this State in to the attaining of Charters of incorporation

By order of the Gov. & Council
Joseph Fay Secy.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning
Thursday 28th June 1781

Council met according to adjournment, and having passed
a number of Acts & transacted some other business of the day
Resolved to adjourn to 8 o'clock tomorrow morning
Friday 29th June 1781

Council met according to adjournment.

Resolved that Warrants be issued and directed, the respective
sheriffs in this State to collect all the British prisoners which may be
found within the limits of this State & cause them to be safely
conveyed to Head Quarters at Castleton by the 10th day of July next

Resolved that Joseph Fay Esq^r be & he is hereby
appointed Commissary General of Prisoners for this State & that his
Excellency the Governor be requested to make out a Commission
for that purpose

Whereas Col. William Williams has made appli-
cation for taking off part of the Granting fees for the lands granted
him formerly known by the name of Reedsborough, whereupon
Resolved that the Granting fees for each ~~piece~~ right be eight pounds
in Silver or the value.

Whereas it has been represented to this
Council that there is not a supply of provisions in store for
the use of the Troops of this State, and whereas it is found im-
practicable to purchase the same.

Wherefore resolved that the Secretary be & he
is hereby directed to issue his Warrants in behalf of the Gov. &
Council, to the Commissary General to seize such quantities of
provisions as necessity may require for the support of the Troops of
this State, and from such persons only as have more than for their fam-
ilies use, for which a reasonable price must be granted.

Resolved that the price of the Township granted to Col. Ira Allen & Company in February last lying north of Cambridge, be nine pounds Lawful Money for each right, & that there be sixty five in number, exclusive of five public rights

Resolved that the Township of land granted to Col. Ira Allen in February last which is to be laid out between Messique Bay & the Main Lake, to include # Windmill Point, to have an equal number of proprietors to the quantity of land as is allowed in other Townships granted by this State, that each proprietor pay twelve pounds for each right.

Attest, Joseph Fay Secy.

The End of June
Session at Bennington
1781

Joseph Fay Secy.

Journal of Council
at their Session holden
at Charlston October 11th 1781.

State of } In Council Charlston Oct. 1781
Vermont }
Present His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq.
and the following members of the Hon. Council

Moses Robinson
Timothy Brownson
Paul Spooner
Ira Allen

Thomas Chandler Esq.
Joseph Fay Esq.

Resolved that a committee of five be
appointed to join a committee of the House to receive, sort,
& count the votes of the freemen and declare the several per-
sons chosen into office for the year ensuing

Members chosen, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Brownson, Mr. Chand-
ler, Mr. Spooner and Mr. Allen.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Friday 12 Oct. 1781

Council met according to adjournment
The committee to receive, sort, and count the votes of
the Freemen, Reported the persons hereafter named to
be chosen into office respectively as follows viz.

His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esq. Governor,
Deputy Governor not chosen by the vote of the

Hon Ira Allen Esq^r Treasurer and the
 Hon Jonas Fay Samuel Fletcher
 Paul Spooner Bezah Woodward
 Moses Robinson John Throop
 Timothy Brownson Benjamin Emmons
 John Tapett Peter Clert Esq^r
 Ira Allen
 Joseph Bowker

The several officers being present, having
 taken the several qualifications required by law proceeded in con-
 junction with the General Assembly to the choice of a Deputy
 Governor, The Ballots being taken, his Honor Elisha Payne Esq^r was
 declared chosen for the year ensuing.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M.

Council met according to adjournment
 voted that Bezah Woodward Esq. join a Committee of the
 House to arrange the necessary business of the Present Session
 and make report

The Governor & Council proceeded to the
 choice of a Secretary. The Ballots being taken Joseph Fay
 Esq. was declared chosen

A petition signed Hugh Mc. Carthy was
 read & referred to the General Assembly

A number of papers signed Joseph Dyer relative to
 Charter Patmos was read & referred to the General
 Assembly

Council adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Saturday 13 October 1781.

Council met according to adjournment and in con-
 junction with the General Assembly proceeded to the

choice of the Judges of the Superior Court for the year ensuing.
The Ballots being taken the following were duly elected & declared
chosen viz,

His honor Elisker Payne Esq. Chief Judge

Moses Robinson

John Tapett Jr.

Bezah Woodward

Joseph Chandler Esq's

} side
judges

Ira Allen Esq. requested the directions of Council relative
to paying out the Ward Money & in the Treasury. Whereupon
Resolved that the Treasurer suspend paying out any for the
present, as it is wanted for expenses for foreign voyages.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M. to meet at the house of
Dr. Page

Council met according to adjournment

Voted Mr. Robinson and Mr. Brownson to join a committee
appointed by the House to nominate a member for the Board
of War and make report

Voted Mr. Woodward & Mr. Cleott to join a committee
from the house, to consider Col. Wait's complaint for want
of money to march a company of men to camp.

Voted that the members of Council shall rank according
to their former appointment which is as following viz

Joseph Bowker

Ira Allen

Timothy Brownson

Benjamin Emmons

Paul Spooner

John Tapett Jr.

Moses Robinson

Samuel Fletcher

Jonas Fay

John Throop

Peter Cleott

Bezah Woodward Esq's

Adjourned to 10 o'clock Monday next then to meet
at the Council Chamber

Monday 15 Oct 1781

Council met according to adjournment

Hon. Jonas Fay took his seat
in Council

Voted that Mr. O'Leath & Mr. Robinson join a
committee of the House to provide ways & means for supply-
ing the Treasury & consider the State of Paper Money

Voted that Mr. Brownson & Mr. Spooner join
a committee of the House to concert measures for supplying
the Army

Voted that Mr. Allen wait on the hour with two letters
rec^d from Brigadier General Stark and the orders given to the
several Brigades of this State &c

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M.

Council met according to adjournment and
proceeded in conjunction with the house of the members
of the Board of War, and a committee of Pay Table. The
Ballots being taken the persons hereafter named were duly
elected & declared chosen (viz)

Hon. Timothy Brownson Esq Thomas Mardock Esq

Benjamin Emmons Esq John Fapett Esq

Isa Allen Esq Joseph Bowker Esq

Joseph Caldwell Esq Members of the

Isaas Wyman Esq Board of War

Isaac Tiekenor Esq

Hon Timothy Brownson Esqr }
and Nathaniel Brewster Esqr } Committee Pay Table
Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow
morning.

Tuesday 16 Oct. 1781.

Council met according to adjournment and agreeable to the order of the day His Excellency the Governor, the Hon. Council & General Assembly resolved themselves into a committee of the whole to hear the reports to of the agent to Congress.

His Excellency Thomas Chittenden Esqr. in the chair.
Hon Beza Woodward Esqr. Clerk.

Having heard the report of said agents, the committee adjourned to 2 o'clock afternoon.

Council met according to adjournment.
The Hon Benjamin Emmons took his seat in council having taken the necessary oaths required by law.

Agreeable to adjournment the Gov. & Council met in committee of the whole, & his Excellency again resumed the Chair, having debated largely on the subject and taken sundry votes, agreed to adjourn the committee to 9 o'clock A.M. Tomorrow.

In Council &c.

Voted That Mr. Allen & Mr. Fay join a committee of men from the House to take into consideration the opening the law for the trial of the title of land and quieting ancient settlers &c and make report.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock A.M. Tomorrow.

Wednesday 17 Oct. 1781.

Council met according to adjournment, and agreeable to the order of the day. The Governor & Council again met in Committee of the whole and proceeded as may be seen by their records, the committee having adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow Morning. The Council returned & proceeded to business.

Voted that Mr Bowker and Mr. Allen join a committee of five appointed by the House, to adopt proper measures for the defence of the State for the year ensuing.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow

Tuesday 18 Oct. 1781.

Council met according to adjournment and agreeable to the order of the day, joined the General Assembly in a committee of the whole & having debated largely on the subject of making proposals to Congress relative to our being rec'd into the Federal Union, and several resolves being passed thereon, a Sub Committee was appointed as may be seen by the records of said committee.

Resolved to adjourn to 9 o'clock A.M. Tomorrow, whereupon His Excellency & Council returned to the Council Chamber, and proceeded to business as follows viz;

Upon application made to this Council by Mr. Eliakim Spooner for some consideration for his giving up the grant of the Township of Royatton to the State, and for extraordinary expense & damages sustained thereby.

Therefore Resolved that Mr Spooner be allowed Twenty Pounds Lawful Money in consideration of his expenses and damages aforesaid.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M.

Council met according to adjournment

The following resolution being read was ordered to be

rec? (viz,

In General Assembly Oct. 18, 1781

Resolved that the First Wednesday of December next be, and hereby is appointed to be observed as a day of public Thanksgiving and Prayer throughout this State, and the Governor is hereby requested to issue his Proclamation accordingly

Extract from the Journals

Roswell Hopkins Clerk.

Council adjourned to meet in one hour at Doct. Page's
Met according to adjournment and adjourned to 9 o'clock
Tomorrow Morning

Friday 19 Oct. 1781.

Agreeable to the order of the day the Governor and Council joined the General Assembly in Committee of the whole, the Sub Committee having made their report which was accordingly accepted, adjourned for one quarter of an hour

In Council his honor Moses Robinson Esq. made application to be released during the present session which was accordingly granted

Joseph Fay Sec^y made a like application to be released during the present session which was accordingly granted

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M.

Met according to adjournment

A certificate of the choice of Joshua Tucker to the office of Justice of the Peace in the Town of Stratford signed David Chamberlain Town Clerk, being read and considered
Resolved, that Joshua Tucker be, and he is hereby appointed one of the Justices of the Peace within and for the County of

Orange for the time being in the room of William Brasco resigned, and that the Clerk of the County Court of the said County of Orange be directed to insert the name of the said Tucker in the Commission of the Justices of said county.

The Hon John Throop Esq. attended Council and took his seat after taking the necessary qualifications required by law.

The Hon. Timothy Brownson and Ira Allen Esqs. were appointed a committee to join a committee from the House to point out the duty of Secretary of State.

Adjourned

Saturday Oct. 20. 1781

Met according to adjournment

The Hon. Jonas Fay Esq. was appointed to join a committee from the House to prepare a bill on the report of the Grand committee.

Leave of absence was granted unto the Hon. Benjamin Emmons and Paul Spooner Esqs. until Tuesday next.

Whereas the Warrants ordered by the Council held at Arlington on the 27 day of September last to be issued to the sheriffs of the Counties of Windsor and Orange, to collect from the several towns the provisions appressed to them in consequence of an act of the Assembly in Oct. last which still remains unpaid, have not yet been delivered to the said sheriffs, and there being absolute necessity that the said provisions be forthwith collected, and delivered to the Commissary General, or his deputy, for supplying the troops now on the frontiers, therefore

Resolved that Warrants issue to the said

sheriffs, forthwith to collect the taxes before mentioned and deliver them to the Commissary General or his Deputy for supplying the troops now on the frontiers, and that the Warrants to the said sheriffs for that purpose issued pursuant to the resolve of Council before mentioned which are now in the hands of the Commissary General, be and hereby are declared to be void and of none effect.

The Hon John Tapett Esq. attended

Adjourned to Monday 9 o'clock

Monday Oct 22 1781

Met according to adjournment

The Hon. John Tapett and John Throop Esqs. were appointed to join a committee from the house on a petition signed Timothy Andrews and Elijah Hurnan upon the subject of ascertaining the boundaries of Townships up Connecticut River

The Hon John Tapett Esq. was duly qualified as Councillor

An act to remit to the town of Danby the payment of a certain Tax therein mentioned, was received, read, and returned to the House

Adjourned till 9 o'clock Tomorrow morning

Tuesday 23 Oct. 1781

Met according to adjournment

State of Vermont

In General Assembly Oct. 22

1781. Resolved that the Governor and Council be requested to serve this Assembly at the opening of their next adjourned session with exact copies of all their proceedings respecting the Tres, Conventions and restrictions they have put on the several Grants of land made by this or a past legislature in order to adjusting the same, and that the committee for receiving the same be directed to lay on the several Grants as aforesaid be directed

to prepare their accounts at the same time and lay them before the Assembly that the same may be settled and fully closed

Extract from the Journals

Attest Roswell Hopkins Clerk
Cep^y Thomas Tolman D^y Sec^y

The Hon. Ira Allen was appointed to join a committee from the House upon a petition signed John Barson, Praying for a grant of Moretown^x

A Commission was made out for the Justices of the County of Rutland—

A request from the House to the Governor and Council was rec^d to join in committee to Elect a Judge of the Supreme Court in the room of Col. Caldwell who declines serving, The Ballots being taken Jonas Fay Esq^r was elected

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow morning
Wednesday 24 October 1781

The Hon Peter Cleott and Joseph Bowker Esqs. were appointed to join a committee from the Assembly to take into consideration the fees of the Superior Court.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock afternoon.

Met according to adjournment

The Hon. Jonas Fay Esq^r was appointed to join a committee from the Assembly to take into consideration the petition of Col. Samuel Fairbanks

The Hon Timothy Brownson Esq. was appointed to attend the House to propose a bill in amendment to one passed the Assembly yesterday for Levying a Tax of 6 pence on the pound

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow morning

Thursday Oct. 25 1781

Met according to adjournment

A bill was drawn to enable the several towns within the State to levy a land tax for the purpose of building Meeting Houses, School Houses, and Bridges, which was laid on the General Assembly for their consideration

Resolved that Noah Sabin Esq^r be and he is hereby appointed Judge of Probate, in the district of Westminster, and that Samuel Wright be and he is hereby appointed a Justice of the Peace within and for the County of Windham
Attest Thomas Tolman Dep. Secy.

The following is a copy of a resolution & grant made by the General Assembly to Col. Wm. Barton. viz;

State of Vermont

In General Assembly Oct. 23 1781

Resolved that there be, and hereby is granted unto Col. Wm. Barton and company being sixty five in number, a Township of Land by the name of Providence, and that the Surveyor General be, and he is hereby directed to survey to said Col. Barton and Company as soon as may be, said Township to contain the quantity of six miles square, upon the unappropriated Lands lying near to Lake Memphremagog, and the Governor and Council be, and are hereby requested as soon as the return of the Surveyor General be made as aforesaid, to make out a Charter of Incorporation to the said Col. Barton and company of said Township, under such restrictions and reservations and for such fees as they shall judge proper

Resolved that this Assembly having the highest sense of the merit of Col. Wm. Barton as an active, brave, and intrepid officer in the Army of the United States

do grant him two of said rights in said Township, free of all
Expense

Extract from the Journals

Roswell Hopkins Clerk.

State of Vermont in General
Assembly Oct 25 1781

Col. Wm. Bartow made a
verbal request to this House that they would reconsider the res-
olution granting him two rights free from fees in the Town-
ship of Providence as granted to him and company the 23 instant
which was accordingly reconsidered

Extract from the Journals

Roswell Hopkins Clerk

Coppy Examined Thomas Tolman Dep. Secy.

The Hon Ira Allen and Benjamin Em-
mons were appointed from the Council to join a Committee
from the House to examine whether any lands are in a State
situation to be granted at the present Session of Assembly,
and to whom.

An act of Assembly for Repealing all Laws pro-
hibiting the trial of the title of Lands &c was laid before the Council

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow morning
Friday 26 Oct. 1781

Met according to adjournment
State of Vermont

In General Assembly Oct. 26 1781

Resolved that the House will proceed to choose by
ballot a committee of three to burn the bills of Credit of this
State agreeable to an act passed this day, The ballot being
taken the Hon Timothy Brownson John Farseth Esq and
Capt. Matthew Lyon were elected
Coppy examined Attest. Thos. Tolman Dep. Secy. Ros. Hopkins Clerk

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Adjourned until 2 o'clock afternoon
Met according to adjournment.

Resolved that the Pay Master deliver £200 to Capt. Luther Richardson taking his receipt for the same, he, the said Richardson being accountable to deliver the same to Capt. Ward Bailey, and the officers and soldiers of his company at Upper Shoos (being three months wages for said company nearly) and return proper accounts thereof to the said Pay Master within six months from the date hereof.

Attest Thomas Tolman Dep. Secy.
Hon. Joseph Bowker Esq. moved for a dissolution of Council which during the present Session which was accordingly granted.

The Governor and Council were requested to attend the House ~~the~~ for the election of a Judge of the Supreme Court in the room of the Hon. Beza Woodward Esq. who declines serving attendance was accordingly given and the ballots being taken the Hon. Lincoln O'Leary Esq. was elected.
A Resolution of the General Assembly ascertaining the fees Superior Court was and concurred.

Recognisance of £10,000

The Hon. Timothy Brownson & John Foxitt and Captain Matthew Lyon appeared and acknowledged themselves jointly and severally recognized to the Treasurer of this State in the penal sum of two thousand pounds lawful money for the faithful performance of their duty as a Committee appointed by the Legislature of this State this day for burning and effectually destroying the bills of Credit of this State, emitted, or bearing date February 1811 & took the oath of office required by law.

Attest Thomas Tolman Dep. Secy.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow morning
Saturday 27 Oct. 1781

Met according to adjournment.

A Commission was made out and executed to the
Hon. Israel Smith Esq. Judge of Probate for the district of
Trotford, County of Orange

A Committee from the House waited on the Governor
and Council to know if any further business was to be laid
before the House before the rising of the session.

The Hon. Peter Cleatt Esq. moved for leave of absence
which was granted

State of Vermont

In General Assembly Oct. 25 1781

Resolved that there be, and hereby is granted unto Samuel
Benton and Company twenty three in number including the said
Benton, a gore or tract of land in the County of Rutland con-
taining about 5000 acres, bounded on the north by a tract
granted to Abraham Jackson Esq. & Company, East on
Andover, south on a tract granted to William Atley &
Company, west on Haraich, and that the Governor and
Council be requested to make out a Charter to the said
Samuel Benton & Company, of said tract under such reg-
ulations and reservations, and for such fees as they may
think fit

Extracts from the Journals

Roswell Hopkins Clerk

In Council Oct 26 1781

Read and Concurred West Hon. Tolman Dep.

Copy examined

Thomas Tolman Dep. Sec.

Resolved that the fees on each right of land in the Township of Providence granted to Col. Wm. Barton and Company be nine pounds hard money to be paid the first day of March next; subject to such reservations and restrictions as has been heretofore usually made on lands granted on like circumstances, and that the fees on each right granted to Nathan Fish Esq. be nine pounds for each right.

His Honor Elisha Payne Esq. attended as Lt Gov. being duly qualified to that office according to law.

A Commission was made out for Noah Sabin Esq. Judge of Probate for the district of Westminster.

Resolved that the Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay unto Edward Harris Esq. the sum of five pounds in hard money, it being part of the sum which he has expended in the service of this state.

Attest Thomas Tolman Secy.

State of Vermont

In General Assembly Oct 27th 1781

On motion made to choose a Surveyor General; the Ballots being taken the Hon. Ira Allen was elected.

On motion made to choose a Comptroller General, The Ballots being taken Joseph Farnsworth Esq. was declared elected.

Extract from the Journals

Robt. Hopkins Clerk

Copy examined

Thomas Tolman Secy.

An act revising the laws of this State was read and concurred.

An act empowering David Pulsifer to sell Lands

belonging to David Pulsifer dec? was read & concurred —

An act empowering Mary Whipple to sell part of the real estate of Daniel Whipple Esq? Deceased was read and Concurred

An act to empower the sale of the Real estate of Jordan Blakey Dec? was read Concurred

An act for abating to the town of Guilford part of a Tax thereon mentioned was read and concurred

An act repealing an act passed at the last Session of Assembly entitled an act for forming the eleventh Regiment was read and Concurred.

Charleston Oct 27 1781

At a meeting of the members of Council and Assembly for the County of Windsor, they agreed to nominate Maj. Thomas Chandler, and General Peter Ocott Judges of the County Court to fill up the vacancies therein — And Major Francis Smith, Mr Daniel Heald, John Simonds, George Harris of Canaan and Simeon Stevens Justices of the peace for said county to be commissioned by his Excellency the Governor in Council for that purpose for the time being

Attest A. Curtis Clerk.

Cop. Attest Thomas Tolman Secy.
State of Vermont

General Assembly Oct. 20. 1781

Resolved that there be, and hereby is granted unto Nathan Fish Esq? and co. comprising 65 in number, a township of land containing six miles square in some of the unappropriated lands of this State, and that the Surveyor General be, and he is hereby directed to survey said Township, to said Nathan Fish, George Duncan and Company, as soon as may be, on some of the ~~un~~ unappropriated lands of this State;

and the Gov. & Council be, and they are hereby requested as soon as the returns of the Surveyor General be made as aforesaid, to make out a Charter of Incorporation of said Township to the said Nathan Fisk, George Duncan & company equally under such restrictions reservations, under such conditions as they shall judge best, provided they pay the fees in Lead, Flints, or hard money by the first of February next.

Extracts from the Journals

Roswell Hopkins Clk.

Copy Attest Thos Tolman D. Secy.

State of Vermont

In General Assembly 26 Oct. 1781

Resolved that there be, and hereby is granted unto Major Theodore Woodbridge and ^{and unto Mr. Joseph Jones and company} Companies, to the number of 65, a Township of lands containing six miles square, in some of the unappropriated lands of this State - And the Surveyor General is hereby directed to survey said Township to the said Major Woodbridge Jones & Companies as soon as may be on some part of the unappropriated Lands aforesaid. And the Governor and Council are hereby requested as soon as the returns of the Surveyor General be made as aforesaid, to make out a Charter of Incorporation of said Township, to the said Woodbridge Jones and companies equally; provided they pay the fees in Lead, Flints or Hard Money, under such restrictions, reservations, and upon such conditions as they shall judge best.

Extract from the Journals

Roswell Hopkins Clk.

Attest Thomas Tolman D. Secy.

In Council Feb 8. 1782

Resolved that the proprietors of the Township, voted to M^r.

Woodbridge & Mr. Joseph Jones & companies pay nine pounds
lawful money for each right

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

State of Vermont

In General Assembly Oct 26. 1781.

Resolved that there be, and hereby is appointed granted to
to the Moheakummuch Tribe of Indians a tract of
land adjoining to, and bordering around Lake Shaloon, six miles
square. & the Governor and Council are hereby empowered and re-
quired to make out a Charter of Incorporation of said tract as
soon as the limits can be ascertained, upon this Condition, that said
Tribe shall never have authority to alien or convey the whole, or any
part thereof to any persons whatever but those of their own Tribe &
such other restrictions as they shall judge proper

Extract from the Journals

Roswell Hopkins Clerk

Attest Thos. Tolan Secy.

The following is a resolution of the General Assembly
Whereas it appears to this Assembly that there was some
irregularity with regard to the last choice of Field Officers in
the 3^d Regiment. Wherefore

Resolved, that it be, and it is hereby recommended
to the Captain General to order the Brigadier General of the Third
Brigade to call on, and lead the 3^d Regiment to a choice of
such Field Officers as were wanting to complete the said
3^d Regiment before the last choice, and make returns of the
officers chosen in order to their being commissioned.

State of Vermont

In General Assembly Oct. 27 1781.

The above was read and passed into a resolution of this house.

Attest Roswell Hopkins Clerk.

Coppy Attest Thomas Tolman J Secy

Resolved that Abraham Guile be, and he is hereby appointed as Justice of the Peace in the County of Orange for the time being, and the register of said County is directed to enter this upon the commission of the justices of said County.

Attest Thomas Tolman J Secy.

Resolved that the Hon Paul Spooner, and John Throop Esqs. be, and hereby are directed, on application and at the expense of Messrs Daniel Tillotson & John Payne, to examine into the circumstances of the settlers of the Town of Brookfield to determine whether any mistakes are made in the returns of settlers of said town, to correct such mistakes if any there be, the persons whose rights shall be in dispute being first notified by said Tillotson & Payne to appear at the time of such examination in support of their respective claims.

Feb 9 1782

Voted the Hon. Joseph Bowker Esq. to be one of the above committee in Lieu of John Throop Esq.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow

Resolved that the granting fees of the Township of land granted to Major Theodore Woodbridge Joseph Jones and companies be the sum of 9 pounds each right to be paid on the 20th day of March next. The reservation will be the same as in grants heretofore made under similar circumstances, and will be entered with the Charter of Incorporation of said Township.

Attest Thomas Tolman J Secy.

the report of
Resolved that there be 1000 copies of the Grand committee at the session held in Charleston this present Inst. Oct. and that the same be promulgated for the information of the inhabitants of this and the United States in General

Resolved, that Henry Sibly be, and he is hereby appointed a justice of the Peace in the County of Washington for the time being; and the register of said County is hereby appointed to enter his name in the commission of the justices of said County

This Council is adjourned to the last Wednesday in January next then to meet at Bennington
The end of Charleston Session.

State of Vermont } In Council Arlington 14 November 1781
Resolved that Dr. John Page be, and he is hereby remitted one fourth part of the Debt due from him to Col. Wm. Marsh on account of his debts being contracted in Continental Money

State of Vermont } In Council Arlington 21st November 1781
An order was issued to the Treasurer to pay Mr. Samuel Sherman, Post rider the sum of £ 10-10-0 for his services to the State agreeable to a resolve of Council June last

State of Vermont } In Council Bennington 19 December 1781
Whereas Col. Nathaniel Brush who was

appointed by the Legislature of this State one of the Committee of pay table, declines serving in that capacity, and whereas Col. Timothy Brownson who was likewise appointed for that purpose is at this time absent, and whereas it is absolutely necessary that other Persons should be appointed in their stead;

I do Therefore by and with the advice of several of my Council appoint Amos Fossitt and Noah Chittenden to act in that capacity of office until Col Brownson shall return and attend said business; or until this order shall be revoked in due form

Signed

Thomas Chittenden Governor

Cop. Examined

Thos. Tolman Secy

State of

Vermont

In Council Arlington January 1782

Resolved that the Hon Elisha Payne

Donas Fay & Ira Allen Esqs. & Abel & Curtis Esq. be.

and they are hereby appointed Agents to repair to the Hon. Congress of the United States and in behalf of this State to solicit Congress to recognise the independence thereof, and further.

use their best endeavours with that Honorable body that some equitable mode be presented for an amicable settlement of the boundary lines between this State and the claiming States; that either two or more of said agents are empowered to proceed to business

By order of the Governor and Council
Thomas Tolman Secy.

Whereas Col. Ira Allen had a Township of Land granted to himself and associates by the General Assembly at their Session 1781 and it appears by said grant that said Allen had leave to lay said Township in any vacant lands in good form which he proposed to lay on a point of land situated between Messique Bay and Main Lake Chamblain, and whereas it appears by his representation there is some reason to apprehend that said lands had been before granted, which induces him to make a new pitch for said Township, and as no Charter has yet been given him

Resolved that in case the said Ira Allen make a new pitch of said Township on some of the vacant lands, south of the Province of Quebec (Lat. 45 north) East of lands heretofore granted north of Ohio River and west of Connecticut river, the granting fees be nine pence on each right there being 65 rights in said Township

Attest

Thomas Tolman Secy.

Adjourned to 8 o'clock Tomorrow

Jan 11th 1782

Met according to adjournment

Resolved that the Charter, or rather the granting fees for the gore of land granted to Samuel Benton and others be £ 5-0-0 Per right, and that the time of payment be the first day of March next.

Resolved that the first his Hon. Elisha Paine Esquire Gov. Governor, Bezahel Woodward Esq. General Ethan Allen, John Tapett Esq. and Col. Matthew Lyon, be, and they are hereby appointed to make a draught of the political affairs of this state to be published

Attest Thomas Tolman D. Secy.

Resolved, that Capt. Samuel Bartlett be, and he is hereby
appointed a member of the Committee of Pay Table to act in that office
until the rising of the next Session of the General Assembly of this State

Attest Thomas Tolman Secy

Several proceedings of Council which Mr Tolman mentions were
on loose papers the book not being present, which are not to be
found, which ought to be recorded in this place —

Attest Jos. Fay —

Journals of Council at their Session Holden at Bennington Feb. 1782.

State of Vermont In Council Bennington 31st January 1782

Agreeable to adjournment of His Excellency the Governor and his
honorable Council to this day, His Excellency and sundry members of Coun-
cil met at this place, and as a quorum of the Council were not present,
His Excellency, and those of his Council present continued by adjournments
until this 4th day of Feb. 1782 at which time a quorum appeared consist-
ing of the following members - viz.

✓ Hon. Joseph Bowker Moses Robinson Samuel Parker x
Timothy Brownson John Tapscott Benjamin Emmons

Adjourned to 8 o'clock tomorrow

Tuesday 5 February 1782

Council met according to adjournment and adjourned to 9 o'clock
tomorrow morning

Wednesday 6 February 1782

Council met according to adjournment and adjourned to 2 o'clock
afternoon to meet at Major Jos. Fay's

Council met according to adjournment and adjourned to 9 o'clock
Tomorrow

Thursday Feb. 1782

Council met according to adjournment

His Excellency the Governor moved to the Council for an order
on the Treasury for two years salary which is yet behind whereupon
Resolved to make out an order as follows

State of }
Vermont } Bennington 7 February 1782
Sir.

You are hereby directed to pay to His Excellency Thomas
Chittenden Esq. Four Hundred pounds lawful Money in silver for his salary
granted him by the General Assembly for the years 1780 and 1781 On order of Council
Isa Allen Esq. Treasurer.

Jonas Fay Secy.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M. then to meet at this place

Met according to adjournment and adjourned to 9 o'clock
Tomorrow

Friday 8 February 1782

Council met according to adjournment, at which time the paper
relative to the dispute subsisting between the grantee of Brookfield
and Wickham proprietors was read and ordered to be lodged
on the files

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M. then to meet at Maj
Joseph Fay's

Met according to adjournment

Having made a determination relative to the dispute
between the proprietors of Brookfield and Wickham, Resolved, as follows
viz. Whereas Mr. Pincas Lyman and his associates, in
Oct. 1779 obtained a grant of a Township of land in this State by
the name of Brookfield. And Whereas a matter of dispute

arose between Col. Israel Williams, Israel Williams jun. and Mr. Pattridge who claims to be associated with the said man in the aforesaid grant, and have paid money thereon, and whereas the Governor recommended to them, and each of them to settle the matter in dispute by submitting it to Arbitrators mutually chosen and as it appears they have not agreed upon a submission as aforesaid but each party choosing to submit the matter in dispute to the Gov. and Council of this State, Mr. Lyman appearing and Messrs. Williams & Pattridge not appearing although notified, this Council having heard the evidence and arguments that were exhibited on both parties. It is the opinion of this Council that as Col. Israel Williams, Israel Williams jun. and Mr. Pattridge did not choose to be adventurers with Mr. Lyman in soliciting said grant until almost a year after the grant was made, they therefore cannot be considered as partners without the permission of Lyman, and as said money was paid through mistake it ought to be returned.

Attest

Joseph Fay Secy.

Resolved That the proprietors of Monitown, sixty five in number, pay for each acre nine pounds L. Money in silver

Adjourned to 9 o'clock tomorrow and adjourned to 1 o'clock P.M. and continued the adjournment to one o'clock Monday next

Monday 11 February 1782

Council Met according to adjournment, and being informed that the General Assembly had formed a house His Excellency and Council did before the House a letter from His Excellency Gen Washington and from General Wolcott, and sundry other letters of a public nature, which was publicly read after which the Governor and Council returned to Mr. Robinsons

A bill from the House being read, and read appointing a Committee to arrange the present business of this Session, Resolved that the Hon. Moses Robinson Esq. join said committee and make reports.

The committee to whom was referred the petition of John Payne and Joseph Fisk, relating to a right of land in Brookfield which is as follows viz.

Bennington 11th February 1782

To his Excellency the Governor, and the Council of the State of Vermont. Your committee appointed to rectify our mistakes that might heretofore have made in the returns of the actual settlers in the Township of Brookfield within this State, beg leave to report further that the names of Jedediah Hyde, Amasa Hyde and Ichabod Hyde, remain as formerly, their Agent obliging himself in behalf of himself and constituents to exchange their obligations for lands in said Brookfield which they hold against Mr. Shurwell Cropp for the obligations said Cropp has against said Hyde and his Constituents for certain sums of money as an equivalent for said lands at the request of Mr. Cropp.

Your Committee further report that Paul Spooner Esq. have his name inserted in the Grant of the Township of Brookfield in the room of Noah or John Payne 3^d he engaging to convey a deed to said John Payne 3^d if it shall appear on trial that the whole of said right property belongs to him, or said Payne 3^d & said Noah Payne in partnership if on trial it shall appear just that the aforesaid should be so given the trial to be had before John Theop and Paul Spooner Esq. In the application of either John Payne 3^d or Noah Payne, and that the appropriate party be duly cited to appear at time and place agreed on to be held at the expense of the party applying.

Your Committee further report that the name of Ebenezer Brewster be inserted in said Charter of Brookfield in the room of Joseph Fisk he obliging himself to convey a deed of said

right to Joseph Fisk or John Payne, or both in partnership, as shall be determined on a fair hearing of said Fisk and Payne before Paul Spooner and John Throop Esqrs. and transmitted to Ebenezer Brewster Esq. Throop and Spooner

Paul Spooner }
Joseph Bowker } Committee

Copy examined

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow morning

Tuesday 12th February 1782

Council met according to adjournment and adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

Council met according to adjournment at which time his Honor Elisha Payne Esq. Lt. Governor & the Hon. Peter Osgood Esq. joined the Council and took their seats.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow morning

Wednesday 13. Feb. 1782

Council met according to adjournment and agreeable to the order of yesterday joined the General Assembly and proceeded to the choice of a judge of the Superior Court, the ballots being then taken, the Hon. Samuel Fletcher Esq. was Elected, who declined serving in that office, whereupon the House agreed to postpone the further election for the present, Col. Nathaniel Brush being appointed in Oct. At one of the Committee of Pay Table & having made his resignation as requested by the Governor, Council and Assembly to attend and inform the House of the reasons why he did not serve in that office he appeared and upon the request of the House agreed to accept and serve in that office

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

Met according to adjournment

His Honor Gov. Payne in the Chair. Two petitions of the

inhabitants of Pownal was read, one praying for some mode to be pointed out to oblige the Town of Pownal to maintain and keep in repair the highway in said Pownal, and one for building a bridge over Hoosack river, a Committee from the Assembly being appointed to join a Committee from the Council and make report, Members chosen. The Hon Joseph Bowker and Samuel Fletcher Esqrs.

An act of Assembly confirming to the heirs of — Watkings, late of Townsend, deceased, certain lands therein contained was read, whereupon Moses Robinson Esq. was requested to return said act to the Assembly to gain some explanation which delivered to the Clerk

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow

Thursday 14 Feb. 1782.

Council met according to adjournment

A bill from the house appointing a committee to look into the situation of the vacant lands, and to report what lands can be granted and to whom, being granted read, whereupon voted that Hon. Paul Spooner and Samuel Fletcher to join said Committee.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M.

Met according to adjournment

An act granting a new Trial in a case depending between John Alger & Erack and Eliphalet Beane &c having passed the General Assembly was read and concurred.

An act passed the General Assembly granting a quantity of land to be sold in Londondary for the purpose of building two bridges over West river in said town, was read, and passed the Council.

An act crediting the town of Hinsdel being over rated &c. having passed the General Assembly was read and concurred

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow

Friday 15 Feb. 1782.

Council met according to adjournment

An act to convey to Taylor Brooks the title of fifty acres of land in Brattleborough having passed the house was read and concurred

Having received & read a number of bills which was sent back to the house for explanation. Adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M. to meet at Maj. Jonas Fay's

Met according to adjournment

Voted the Hon. Moses Robinson Esq. to join the committee from the House to consider the petition of Mr. Timothy Andrews & Elijah Hineman, Agents for the township of Guildhall Maidstone.

A committee on the petition of Samuel Avery being appointed to join a committee of Council on Capt. Lovel's Payroll, the Hon Joseph Bowker Esq. was voted to join said committee from the House

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow morning

Saturday 16 Feb. 1782

Council met according to adjournment and joined the Assembly to appoint a Judge of the Supreme Court. The ballots being taken. The Hon John Throop Esq. was elected

A bill from the House was read, referring the consideration of the petition of William Cockburn and Archibald Campbell, to the committee appointed to consider the petition of Samuel Avery whereupon the Hon John Fay Esq. was appointed in addition to the Committee of yesterday

An act granting to Major Gideon Brownson, six hundred and sixty dollars and 25 as depreciation was read and concurred also an act or resolution of Assembly requesting the Committee of Pay Table to adjust Capt Brownson's & Beneyer Allen & Herrick's Pay rolls.

Attest

Joseph Fay Secy.

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P.M. Monday next
Monday 18 Feb. 1782.

Council met according to adjournment

A Pay roll signed For Bagley Capt. dated at Newbury 8th May 1781 for service done by a number of men under his command in scouting on the frontiers of this State, being read whereupon

Resolved, That it be and hereby is recommended to the committee of Pay Table to adjust and draw an order on the Treasury for the payment of said Pay roll.

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

A resolve of House for the payment of Capt. Abneriah Lovell's Pay roll for the officers and soldiers of his company on the west side of Connecticut river raised in Feb. 1780, was read, and passed
The Council

Attest

Joseph Fay Secy.

A petition signed Samuel Harrick & Benjamin Waitt was read, praying the General Assembly to make good the depreciation of their wages for service done in year 1777 - The House having appointed a committee to join a committee of Council. Voted the Hon. Benjamin Emmons Esq. to join said committee

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow morning

Tuesday 19 Feb. 1782

Council met according to adjournment and agreeable to the order of the day, His Excellency the Governor, the Hon. Council & General Assembly resolved themselves into a committee of the whole to take into consideration, the several letters recd. from abroad viz. one from his Excellency General Washington, & one from General Wolcott and sundry others, together with the papers which relate to the Independence of Vermont and

The relinquishment of the Union with this State

A letter from Col. Hinman Swift commanding a continental Regiment, directed to Brigadier General Samuel Lyford, dated Feb. 12. 1782. requesting the General's assistance in taking up a number of Quarters from the Continental Army, in supplying a Corporal Baker and three men with provisions, and was by the General laid before the Council Whereupon

Resolved, that the Commander General of this State be, and he is hereby directed to furnish said Corporal Baker and three men with necessary provisions for the execution of the business above mentioned

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow

Wednesday 20 Feb. 1782

Council met and adjourned until Tomorrow to meet in grand committee

Thursday 21st Feb. 1782

The Grand Committee composed of his Excellency the Governor, the Hon. Council and the General Assembly having dissolved, their report is as follows (viz, see the journals of the House in which they are recorded at large

The Council being convened, the report of the Grand committee was received from the House, with a committee appointed thereon to join a committee of Council to draw a bill in form, whereupon, voted that his honor Paul Spooner Esq. join said committee

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow morning

In Council Friday 22^d Feb. 1782

Met according to adjournment

A bill from the House was read appointing

appointing a committee to join a committee of Council to point out ^{some} method to redress the injuries the Inhabitants of the unions have received on account of their alliance with this State, The Hon. Joseph Bowker and Moses Robinson Esq. was appointed to join said committee.

An act granting the prayer of Major Gideon Brownson, and allowing him six hundred and sixteen dollars and sixty ninetieths parts of a dollar, was read, having passed the General Assembly, was agreed to by the Council and an order drawn on the back of said act, on the Treasurer for the ~~same~~ payment of the same - signed by order of Council

Joseph Fay Secy

The Council joined the General Assembly and proceeded to the choice of three agents to the Congress of the United States, to agree on articles of union between this, and the United States, the ballots being taken, the Hon. Moses Robinson, Paul Spooner Esq. and Isaac Debenor Esq. was elected

An act of Assembly was read appointing certain persons therein named to repair to the authority of New York, to request them to suspend the execution of their law in prosecuting the execution those persons who have been active in joining Vermont, until they can have opportunity to petition for an act of the Legislature of New York Granting Pardon &c having passed the Council

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow morning
Saturday 23rd Feb. 1782.

Council met according to adjournment

An act discharging the Town of Townal from the payment of certain provision taxes therein mentioned was read and concurred by Council and returned to the House

On motion made by General Olcott to be released from

a committee on the petition of Cockburn and Campbell, voted that the Hon. Benjamin Emmons join said committee in Lieu of Gen. Okett —

A bill from the House was read as follows. viz.
State of Vermont, In General Assembly Feb. 23. 1782.

Resolved, that the Governor and Council be, and they are hereby requested to take the case of Asa Baldwin into their consideration, and if they judge best that Baldwin should have a trial to give orders accordingly; if not, that his papers and property be delivered up to him, the said Baldwin

Extract from the minutes

Pres. Hopkins Clerk.

Agreeable to the foregoing resolution of the General Assembly, this Council having taken into their consideration of said Baldwin

Resolved, that he have leave to dispose of his farm in Dorset after the first day of May next; on condition that said Baldwin relinquish all pretensions of claims or demand on this State for the use of said farm, during the time it has been improved for the use of said State. Also that all the papers belonging to said Baldwin be returned to him

Attest

Joseph Fay Secy.

On application made by Mr. Breckinridge relating to John Mc. Niel returning to this State

Resolved, that John Mc. Niel be permitted to return to this State for the time being or until the Inhabitants therein on that account

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

The following bill rec'd from the house and ordered by the Council to be recorded viz.

State of Vermont In General Assembly Feb. 1782

Resolved, that the Governor and Council be requested to write to his Excellency General Washington and desire him to furnish two thousands Stands of Arms and a sufficient quantity of ammunition for the use of this State.

Extract from the journals

Ros Hopkins Clerk.

Copy examined Joseph Fay Secy

Adjourned to Monday next one o'clock P.M.

State of Vermont } In Council Monday 25 February 1782

Council met according to adjournment.

A bill from the House was read appointing a committee of ten Members to join a Committee of Council, for the purpose of nominating officers to command the Troops next Campaign, whereupon,

Voted that the Hon Joseph Bowker, Samuel Fletcher and Benjamin Emmons Esqs. join said committee.

Resolved, that the Hon. John Lapett and Timothy Brownson join the committee appointed by the Assembly and Council to take into consideration the petition of Samuel Avery Esquire.

A bill from the House was read appointing a committee to prepare instructions for the Agents appointed to settle preliminaries with Congress &c. whereupon the Hon. Moses Robinson and Samuel Fletcher Esqs. to join said committee.

An act was read enabling Communities to recover their rights &c, having passed the House was read and concurred

Resolved, that the proprietors of the Gore of land granted to Gen. Samuel Safford and company (Eighteen in number) pay for each right nine pounds L. Money in silver, to be paid by the first day of May next, to be settled three years after the War. Reservations to be set forth in the Charter of Incorporation.

Resolved, that the proprietors of Goshen granted to Capt. John Powell, Nehemiah Lovell, William Douglas, Lt. Samuel Beach & Company to the number of 66, pay for each right eight pounds L. Money in Silver to be paid over before the first day of May next, the time of settlement to be three years next after the War will admit of a settlement with safety, the reservations to be specified in the Charter of Incorporation.

Resolved, that the proprietors of a small gore of land granted to Edward Harris Esq. and associates, to the number of seventeen, pay for each right eight pounds L. Money in silver, to be paid by the first day of May next. Terms of settlement to be three years after the War. Reservations to be as in other Towns.

Resolved, that the proprietors of the Township of Sterling 65 in number, granted to General Samuel Fletcher and company, pay for each right eight Pounds L. Money in silver, to be paid by the first day of May next. The terms of settlement to be the same as other Towns within the lines. Reservations to be specified in the Charter of Incorporation.

Resolved, that the proprietors of a gore of land granted to Lieut. Moses Johnson and Company, thirty three in number, contain about five thousand and 45 acres, pay for each right seven pounds L. Money in silver,

to be paid by the first day of May next, to be settled in three years from this date.

Resolved that the proprietors of a gore of land granted General Peter O'Leary and company, pay for each right Eleven pounds L. Money, each right to contain three hundred and thirty acres, to be paid by the first day of June next - to be settled in three years from this date - Reservations to be specified hereafter

Resolved that the proprietors of a gore of land granted to Mr. John Wheeler and Company containing about two thirds of a Township, pay for each right in said gore, nine pounds L. Money in silver, each right to contain three hundred and thirty acres, to be paid by the first day of June next - Terms of settlement to be three years after the War will admit the reservations to be specified in the Charter of said Grant

Resolved, that the proprietors of the Township of Waitfield granted to General Roger Enos, Col. Benjamin Wait and Company to the number of 65, pay for each right eight pounds L. Money in silver, to be paid by the first day of May next to be settled in three years after the war will admit with safety

Resolved, that the proprietors of the gore of land granted unto Amos Green, Samuel Morilton and Company to the number of sixteen, pay for each right nine pounds L. Money in silver to be paid by the first day of May next, to be settled in three years from this day, reservation to be specified in the Charter of said Grant

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow Morning

Council met according to adjournment

An act from the House was read, empowering a committee to sell Col. Peter's Estate in Moretown, in which the Council concurred

Resolved that the proprietors of the township of ~~Brown~~ granted to Mr. Justice Rose, Captain Uriah Symour & Company to the number of 65, pay for each right nine Pounds L. Money in Silver, to be paid by the first day of May next, to be settled 3 years after the war will admit with safety. The reservations to be specified in the Charter of Incorporation of said Town.

Resolved the proprietors of the Township of Brown-
mington granted to Timothy and Daniel Brown Esqrs. and Company
sixty five in number, pay for each right eight pounds L. Money
in silver, fifty pounds of which is to be paid down - sixty pounds
the first day of August next, the terms of settlement to be
three years after the circumstances of the War will admit with
safety - The reservations to be specified in the Charter of Incorpora-
tion of said Townships.

An act of Assembly for the annual settlement of
the Treasurers accounts, at each October Session, was read
and concurred.

A petition signed Timothy Andrews and Elijah
Hinman was read, praying to be discharged from certain
Land Tax therein mentioned, having been read in Assembly,
and a committee of Council appointed to a committee
from the House. Members chosen viz Hon. Benjamin Emmons
Esq^r.

A petition signed Seth Smith, praying to be
discharged from a certain indictment, was read, and the
prayer thereof granted, on Condition of his taking the Oath
of allegiance to this State.

A petition signed Joseph Burt, praying
to be discharged from certain bonds therein mentioned.

was read & approved, said Burt taking the oath of allegiance to this State - returned to the house.

An act relinquishing to the owners of Royallton certain taxes therein mentioned, was read and approved -

Adjourned to 2 o'clock P. M.

Council met according to adjournment -

An act empowering the surveyor General to the lines of the several towns therein mentioned, was read, and the Council propose as an amendment, "That the Surveyor report to this Assembly in lieu of his line being conclusive -

An act discharging a number of persons inhabitants of Bennington from their fourfolds was read and concurred -

Resolved, That Joseph Fay Esq. Comptroller of Prisoners, be, and he is hereby directed to give Terence Smith son of Dr. George Smith his Parole as a prisoner of War.

On application made by Col. Wm. Barton - Resolved that the payment of the granting fees of the Township of Providence granted to Col. William Barton & Company, be postponed until the first day of June next, then one half to be paid, the time of payment of the other half to be determined upon at that time.

An Act repealing an act forming a sixteenth regiment having passed the Gen. Assembly was read and concurred.

An act directing the selectmen of Pownall to repair certain digged Highways having passed the General Assembly was read and concurred.

Resolved that the proprietors of the Township of Billy Mead granted to the Hon. Jonathan Arnold Esq.

and Company to the number of 65, pay for each right eight pounds L. Money in silver to be paid (including what is already paid) by the first day of June next, except twelve rights which is to be paid by the first day of August, the terms of settlement to be three years after the circumstance of the War will admit with with safety. The reservation to be specified in the Charter of Incorporation of said Township

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow morning
Wednesday 27 Feb. 1782

Council met according to adjournment

An act for abating the Town of Wells from certain tax therein specified was read and approved

An asserting the fees of the Clerk of the Supreme Court was read and approved

On the request of Col. Wm. Barton to have the granting fees of his Township, Spence -

Resolved, that on the punctual payment of the granting fees of said town by the time agreed on that ten shillings on each right be relinquished -

Resolved, that the proprietors of the Township of Fayston granted to Col. Ebenezer Wobbridge, Major Edeon Omsby & Company to the number of 65, pay for each right-Eight pounds L. Money to be paid on the first day of May next - to be settled three years after the War - other conditions and reservations to be set forth in the Charter of Incorporation

Resolved, that the proprietors of a gore of land granted to Bega. Woodward Esq. and Company, Twelve in number, pay for each right four pounds L. Money to be paid by the first day of May next

A bill recommending the Draught of a bill giving instructions to the Committee for receiving the granting fees, was read and the Hon. John Fopett Esq. & Moses Robin Esq. were appointed to join said committee.

An act to compel the more punctual attendance of the Members of Assembly was read and approved.

An act retrenching a part of a tax of the district of Ira was read and approved.

A bill from the House for raising three hundred men, was read, appointing a committee to devise a way and means for that purpose, whereupon the Hon. Joseph Bowler Esq. was appointed to join said committee.

An act granting Arms and Ammunition to certain persons who were taken prisoners &c. was read and concurred.

A petition signed by the inhabitants of Shrewsbury was read, a Committee being appointed by the House to join a committee of Council - Whereupon, voted the Hon. Samuel Fletcher to join said committee.

An act directing the Treasurer to destroy the bills of credit of this State &c. was read and approved.

An act staying an execution against Witheril Withum was read and approved.

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow
Thursday 28 Feb. 1782

Council met according to adjournment
Resolved, that the proprietors of a gore of land granted to Capt. Daniel Smith & Company, three hundred and thirty acres - Terms of settlement to be three years after the War will admit with safety - reservations to be set

fourth in the Charter of Incorporation

Resolved, that the proprietors of the Township of Johnson granted to the Rev. Jonathan Edwards, Wm. Samuel Johnson, Charles Chauncy Esqrs and company being sixty five in number, pay for each right eight pounds ten shillings Lawful Money, to be paid immediately. The terms of settlement and reservations to be specified in the Charter of Incorporation

An act for the purpose of raising a certain number of troops for the defence of the inhabitants of the upper Cohos was read and approved

On recommendation of the representations of the Counties of Windsor. Resolved that Major Benjamin Wait Esq. be, and he is hereby appointed sheriff in and for said County for the time being

A petition signed Asa Baldwin was read, praying for leave to return to this State. Whereupon resolved that His Excellency the Gov. be requested to grant said Baldwin a pass for that purpose

A petition signed Lewis Walker, Daniel Briggs, Francis Matison & Joshua, praying for certain fines therein mentioned to be remitted, was read. Whereupon Resolved that said fines be, and they are hereby remitted & the afore named persons are hereby fully discharged therefrom

Attest Joseph Fay Secy.

An act for taking off the Tender of Paper Money was read and concurred

In General Assembly 28 Feb 1782

On motion made, resolved that this Assembly will appoint one person in addition to the Agents already appointed to transact the business of this State at Congress. The ballots being taken the Hon. Jonas Fay Esq. was elected - Attest Ros. Hopkins Clerk

Resolved, that the proprietors of the
gorse of land granted to Capt Elijah Dewey and Company,
fifteen in number, pay for each right in said gorse, eight
pounds ten shillings L. Money, the one half to be paid down
the other half to be paid the first day of May next - The
terms of settlement and reservation to be specified in
the Charter of said gorse

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow

Friday 1st March 1782

Council met according to adjournment
and adjourned until Thursday next, the to meet at Capt. J. D.
Golush's Shaftsbury

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End of February Session 1782

State of Vermont In Council Shaftsbury Thursday 7 March
1782

The Council met according to adjournment -
at which time intelligence was received of the arrival
of the Hon. Jonas Fay and Ira Allen Esq's. Agents to
Congress

Adjourned to 9 o'clock Tomorrow

Thursday 8th of March 1782

Council met according to adjournment at which
the Agents to Congress arrived and proceeded to make
their Report &c — — —

Adjourned to 8 o'clock Tomorrow morning

Saturday 9th March 1782; Met according to Rule
Resolved that General Samuel Safford
& Abel Curtis Esquires be & they are hereby appointed members
of the board of War, in place of Colonel Wyman & Caldwell
and were duly quoad pace to that Office

On Motion made Resolved that Nathan
Langfield be & is hereby discharged from the bond that he is under
to appear before this Council to answer his conduct &c

Resolved that Alexander Bruth be & is hereby
appointed Capt. & to command a company of men in
the service of this State the ensuing campaign

Resolved that the Proprietors of the Townships
of Glover, Wylyes and the Township granted to Maj.
Woodbridge & Company, pay the Granting fee of said Townships
by the first day of August next.

Resolved that Joseph Fay Esqr. Commissary
General of Prisoners, be & is hereby directed to parole Jerome
Smith, son to Doct^r Smith & permit him to go to Canada
on Condition of his returning or sending out St. Michael
Duning in Exchange.

Copy of Instructions
to Committee for
procuring a Printer

Bennington in Council 1st March 1782

To Colonel John Barret, Benjamin Burt
& John Sapiens Esquires, you having been appointed by the
General Assembly to superintend and provide for the printing
office in this State, These are therefore to instruct and
direct you to examine into the cause why the printing
office has not answered the purpose Expected
and to engage some suitable person or persons in the

proximity of Westminster to supply every material for the said
press on as reasonable conditions as can be obtained
and to engage some suitable post rider or riders
to circulate & distribute the public acts and newspapers
through the several Towns in this State. And if you
cannot engage a person or persons that answer that
purpose, you are hereby authorized & directed with the
consent of the proprietors, to remove said office
with the materials, to Bennington in this State, least
if any person will engage supply the materials at
that place for the purpose aforesaid. And if the
printer refuse to accede to these terms and will not
engage to carry on said business punctually, & with
despatch, you are hereby directed to dismiss him &
procure another printer, that will answer the
purpose expected, & make return to the Governor
& Council of your doings as soon as may be

By Order of the Governor & Council

Joseph Fay
Secy.

The following is a copy of a Warrant given
the several Sheriffs to collect provision Tax, viz

To the Sheriff of the County of _____
or his deputy Greeting. Whereas by an act of the Legislature
of this State passed in October 1780 entitled "an act for the
purpose of procuring provisions for the troops to be
employed in the service of this State the ensuing
year" among other things therein enacted, the
then Select men of the several Towns within this State

authorized, empowered & directed to levy a tax
on their respective towns for the procuring such
quotas of Provisions as they were respectively assigned
by the said act, with the necessary cost of packing —

And Whereas it is represented by
Joseph Farnsworth Esqr. Com^{rs} General of Purchases
that the select men of several towns within the said
County of — have neglected their duty herein
and have not returned to him or his deputy their respective
quotas of Provisions as directed in said act. and
furthermore, whereas no due information hath
been made whereby the select men of any Town
in said County can be availed by the provision
made in said act for them in case of the opposition
of the Inhabitants of a Town or one Third part
thereof, and as the time for the payment of those quotas
is now long elapsed, and special need ~~now~~ requires
that such arrears be forthwith made good to the public
in order that the State may be better enabled to provide
for the troops who shall go forth in our defence the ensu-
-ing Campaign as well as to discharge their necessary
debts contracted by the public the last season in consequence
of the delinquency aforesaid.

These are therefore in the name & by the
authority of the ~~Treasurer~~ of the State of Vermont
to command you, that of the Goods or Chattels of
the select men (whose right of duty it hath been to
procure such quotas) of such — in the said
County of — as shall be certified to you by the
said Com^{rs} General delinquent of such quotas

or any part thereof, you levy and dispose
of the same as the law directs, and to
procure such quota or part thereof, or sum or
sums of money in lieu thereof, of which quota
or complement, sum or sums of money, you will
be certifièd and receive the particular direction of the
said ~~Commissionary~~ General, and which after being
available of in your own possession by virtue of this
Warrant, you will deliver over to him the said
Commissionary General or his deputy, taking his receipt
thereof, herein Insured - And also of the said
Goods or Chattels to satisfy your self for your own
fee as by law you are entitled - Hereof fail not
but make due return of this writ, with your doings
thereon, within ninety days from the date hereof, date
at Arlington this eighteenth day of March A^D 1782

By order of his Excellency the Governor
with the advice of Council

Thomas Solomon (Deputy)

State of Vermont In Council Arlington
7th May 1782

This Council having taken into
consideration the manner in which the prisoners
lawfully taken should be disposed of, Whereupon

Resolved That Joseph Fay Esquire
Com^d General of Prisoners be and is hereby directed
to take a list of said prisoners and such as
have been actually in the British Service

to leave to be immediately sent to Canada to be
exchanged & the remainder to remain in close con-
finement until further orders from this Council

Attest Thomas Solomon Deputy

Whereas it appears to this Council that there
is not a sufficiency of provisions collected for the
present support of the troops in service, and that
unless immediate exertions be made the Troops
cannot be supported, Therefore

Resolved that it be and hereby is
recommended to the Inhabitants of the several Towns
within this State to take some immediate & effectual
measure to raise a sufficiency of provisions at
least to support the number of soldiers sent from
such Town, until they can be otherways supplied
by the present crops on the Ground

Attest,

Joseph H. Page Secy

End of the First Volume

The second commencing with the proceedings
of Council at Windsor June 13th 1782

Attest

Joseph H. Page Secy